

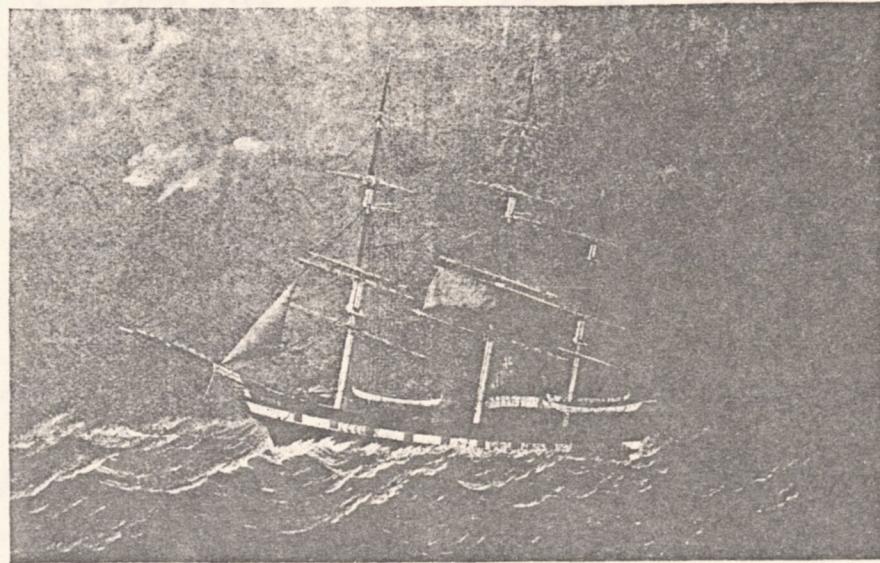
Remarks on board Ship *Nigra*  
Of New Bedford Mass. U. S. A.  
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Mass.

This work is kept in Civil Tone.

all of which there are railroad stations, Gypt, Greenbush, East Marshfield, Seaside, Marshfield, Webster Place, Duxbury, Island Creek, Kingston and Seaside, being the "Old Oaken Bucket," which Bodworth to them, is in the Daniel Webster was in the land the home-attraction for within eight miles is situated the name, with ores in the sandstone of the history of the John Alden Pilgrims settle of his built still standing, the residence of the Pilgrim.

The terminus branch is at miles from and thirty-third line which and Brained here in

town, Provincetown, an important fishing port. The Cape constitutes the entire county of Barnstable. The most important places are Provincetown, Hyannis, on the southern side, Chatham, at the elbow, Yarmouth, Barnstable, etc., all of which are at present summer resorts.



LIFE OF THE WHALER.

"UNDER SHORT SAIL--MAN OVERBOARD."

*Don't Tie Up The Ships*

## Remarks on board Ship Niger. 1878

Wednesday August 7<sup>th</sup>

Sailed from New Bedford at ten O'clock fine brisk wind. Being sick I wrote no more till

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> day of August  
Came in blowing fresh lowered for black fish.Tuesday 3<sup>d</sup> day of September.

Came in clear and bright raised land, and went into Fyall at 3 O'clock. The islands look beautifull from the ship.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine. shore boats are off to us.

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather spoke the barque E. B. Phillips this morning they took a whale, a weak one yesterday. Middle Part. Tamed the bark Palmetto.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine in sight of Fyall all day, saw three vessels. Scatter Fair blew strong we passed the schooner Aleyoone, fast to a whale.

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine saw several vessels, and at night the bark Marythorn of Boston crossed our bows.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup>

Came in raining we are close into Fyall. cleared of at night fine and clear.

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>

Off and on Fyall

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Satt. Sought.

Came in fine, went into the harbor and took provisions aboard.

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> Satt. Sought.

Came in fine. Captain Gallett came on board and we took our departure. We now on port tack every thing set, two. bark in sight. Napoleon and Wanderer.

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Satt. 37° 88 Sought.

Came in with light breeze from South and Eastward Shift by the wind on port tack. have been employed breaking out most all day, a sail in sight which we think is the Napoleon heading the same way

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Satt. Sought.

Came in sight light breeze almost calm. latter it baged up from the westward. broke out fore hold. and saw one sail to windward supposed to be the Wanderer last sight of the Napoleon. last night

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## Remarks on board Ship "Viger", of

Friday September 27<sup>th</sup> <sup>North</sup> Lat. 35° 35' Longt. 28° 15'  
 Came in with light breeze. Broke out the after hold for iron hoops. Up by the wind on port tack saw one school of porpoises and one merchant ship steaming off.

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Lat. 34° 06' Longt. 25° 50'  
 Came in with strong wind from westward and squally. ship steering S. E. saw four merchantmen

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Latitude 32° 45' Long. 25° 22'  
 Came in with light breeze from the westward with frequent squalls of rain. ship steering S. S. E. saw one sail and a small white water which we made out a grampus.

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Lat. 31° 55' Long. 24° 10'  
 Came in with light breeze. Looked for blackfish but did not get any four sails in sight during the day

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> day of October. Lat. N. Longt. W. 30° 30' 24° 38'  
 Came in with light breeze from the eastward. Later part squally with strong breeze and now on port tack by the wind everything set. Set up the mizzen rigging, and saw one grampus.

Wednesday 2<sup>d</sup> N. 28° 55' W. 24° 24'  
 Came in with a light breeze from the eastward ship by the wind on port tack. latter part calm hauled up the courses. crew employed making spun yarn. sent down the trucks and fixed them.

Thursday 3<sup>d</sup> N. 27° 34' W. 22° 18'  
 Came in with light breeze from eastward steering S. E. latter part wind changeable and now on port tack all sail set. saw one sail and struck one porpoise.

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> N. 24° 50' W. 23° 00  
 Came in with a strong breeze, ship steering S. E. half E. saw nothing.

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> N. 22° 35' W. 21° 25  
 Came in with strong wind, ship heading S. E. half E. Broke out the after hold. saw nothing.

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> N. 20° 40' W.  
 Came in with strong N. E. wind which we think is the trades. ship heading S. W. by S. saw one white whale. called it a jumfer

New Bedford, Thomas A. Halliss, Commander

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> <sup>North. West</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
Came in with a strong breeze ship steering S. W. by S. with  
all sail set. took the turtles on deck picked them over and  
sawed them up. saw one shoot of blackfish.  
18° 46'

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>  
Came in with a strong wind steering S. W. by S. past the  
Isle of Sol one of the Cape Verde. latter part rained  
the Island of -<sup>11</sup> Pago two points on the Starboard  
bow bearing on the port tack at six o'clock handled  
the right sail and courses.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>  
Came in with a strong breeze, Capt. and his family  
went ashore. we now layed off and on. broke out the  
main hold for flour. we one sail and a steamer

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>  
Came in with a strong wind and squally. Capt. came  
on board. Bound off steering S.S.E. for Tristan.  
Wright whaling

Friday 11<sup>th</sup>  
Came in with a light breeze ship steering S.S.E.  
saw three sail.

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>  
Came in with light breeze with frequent squalls of rain  
Ship by the wind on Starboard tack. saw two finbacks

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> N. 13° 19' W.  
Came in with a light breeze. steering S. half W.  
raised a school of Blackfish lowered and the starboard  
boat saved one. later raised another school of fish and  
got two S. B. and W. B. saw a large white whale could  
not make it out

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> N. 12° 30' W. 21° 00'  
Came in with a light wind. steering S. half W.  
started the works after dinner to boil blackfish. finished  
by four o'clock. later set the royals saw one sail

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> N. 11° 30' W. 21° 00'  
Came in with light breeze. steering S. by W. with  
all sail set. been employed setting up head rigging  
and broke out water. saw one school of blackfish  
did not lower and saw white water.

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Wednesday October 16<sup>th</sup> <sup>North</sup> <sup>West</sup>  
<sup>Latitude</sup> <sup>Longitude</sup>  
 Came in with light breeze. Steering S. by W. saw one  
 Finback a school of Blackfish and some porpoises.  
 latter part, set the royals.  $10^{\circ} 05'$   $20^{\circ} 53'$

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> N.  $9^{\circ} 10'$  W.  $20^{\circ} 55'$   
 Came in with a light breeze, steering S. by W.  
 been employed setting up fore and main rigging. saw  
 a shoal of porpoises that is all. All sail set.

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> N  $8^{\circ} 18'$  W.  
 Came in calm hauled up the courses and are now  
 laying with the sails flapping. been at work in  
 the rigging. later, got a little breeze from the S. W.  
 have all sail set by the wind on port tack.

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Sat.  $8^{\circ} 20'$  N.  
 Came in with a calm. have been at work in the  
 rigging, two weeks from S. Pago. latter Part, light  
 breeze from the Southward. by the wind on port tack.

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> N.  $8^{\circ} 05'$  W.  $20^{\circ} 55'$   
 Came in with a little breeze steering S. by W.  
 later, squally ship fell off to S. W. now full and by  
 with every rag set. saw Blackfish.

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Sat.  $7^{\circ} 3'$  N.  $20^{\circ}$   
 Came in with light breeze, steering S. by W. men  
 employed at ships duty, saw nothing but porpoises  
 latter, light wind frequent squalls of rain

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> N.  $6^{\circ} 08'$  W.  $21^{\circ} 03'$   
 Comes in with brisk wind, steering S. by W. with  
 frequent squalls of rain. saw two sail bound to  
 the Northward, home I suppose. latter Part ship  
 by the wind heading S. W. all sail set. squally.

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> N.  $6^{\circ} 29'$  W.  $21^{\circ} 15'$   
 Comes in with light breeze and heavy rain squalls.  
 Ship by the wind on port tack. saw four sail  
 at four o'clock the mate went on board an  
 English ship called the Budeck Castle  
 7<sup>th</sup> days from Calcutta same day from  
 St. Helena, bound to London

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New Bedford. Thomas A. Hallett, Captain

Thursday October 24<sup>th</sup> Latitude 4° 48' W.

Came in with light wind and squalls, ship close hauled on starboard tack. saw one merchant ship

5° 25'

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> N. 4° 48' W.

Came in with light breeze and heavy rain squalls are now by the wind on starboard tack. Satter part thick and rainy saw one sail and some porpoises. Satter rained every minute of the first watch.

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> N 4° 12' W. 21° 04'

Wind still ahead have only gone two degrees on our course in seven days, it now blows strong ship full and by on port tack all sail set. broke out wat

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> N 3° 05' W. 21° 5'

Comes in with strong breeze ship close hauled on port tack all sail set saw 40 humpbacks.

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> N. 1° 58' W.

Today comes in with a strong head wind, ship by the wind on port tack heading about S. W. Satter have been at work ships duty, saw several humpbacks.

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> South. 0° 35' W. 25° 10'

Comes in with head wind ship full and by on port tack heading about S. W. crossed the line last night. Satter burst the fly sail sent it in to be mended and sent a new one. All sail set.

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> S. 0° 45' W. 7° 14'

Came in with brisk wind ship close hauled on port tack are now in the S. E. Trades saw one large whale water two points on weather bow did not make it out. Satter. All sail set.

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> S 2° 35' W. 28° 22'

Came in with strong breeze ship heading the same. sent down all three royal yards and put up the hooks. Rang the longitude with a brig by the name of Metelohannio Nation unknown. hers was 27° 48' W. 3° 30' S. ours was 28° 00' W.

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Friday November 1<sup>st</sup> 1878

Came in with strong breeze ship close hauled on port tack. went at work laying down fore head stays. later, all sail set saw nothing

Lat. S.  $4^{\circ} 05'$  W.  $29^{\circ} 48'$ Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> S.  $6^{\circ} 00'$   $30^{\circ} 30'$ 

Same breeze, heading S.S.W. by N. in her course Broke off the fore, main and after hold to day. at all port; ship heading the same. Saw one企鹅, lost a turkey overboard but got him again.

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> S.  $7^{\circ} 35'$  W.  $30^{\circ} 50'$ 

Came in with light wind. Ship full and by one port tack. later; trading S.S.W. saw a school of Finbacks and porpoises reported them a school of spearfish. lost a star before we passed out.

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> S.  $9^{\circ} 05'$  W.  $31^{\circ} 00'$ 

Came in with a moderate breeze and frequent squalls. Ship by the wind on port tack, in the morning saw a whale under way. Is it a企鹅 at night? saw another have been busy breaking out fore and main hold. Later; the same all sail set

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> S.  $11^{\circ} 00'$  W.  $31^{\circ} 00'$ 

Came in with light breeze and squally ship close hauled on port tack saw six seals and passed close to a large American merchant ship bearing S.W. by W. Later; moderate heading S. by W.

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> S.  $12^{\circ} 45'$  W.  $30^{\circ} 00'$ 

Came in with light breeze, ship close hauled heading S. had been employed breaking out the cover fore hold for bread drove it all and stowed back. Later, light wind and squalls, one sail in sight steering to the Northward and Westward bound home I suppose.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> S.  $14^{\circ} 21'$  W.  $31^{\circ} 26'$ 

Three months out two days of black fish with big fine breeze is light. I do not like heading very close S. by E. saw a whale under way in the morning which proved to be a企鹅. Later, moderate with squalls. steering S. by E. finished breaking out the main hold gone through with the bread

## New Bedford Thomas A. Hallet Captain

Friday November the 8<sup>th</sup> 1878

Came in with a strong breeze on the port quarter steering S.S.E. Later, ~~hauled~~ to S. all sail set going seven knots. Saw nothing. Lat. S. 16° 10' Long. 29° 22' W.

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> Lat. 29° 30' S. Long. 29° 22' W

Came in with strong breeze on port quarter steering S.W. going 7 knots at two in the afternoon raised the Isle of Trinidad, latter part lowered the bow boat and went fishing got a good mess and came back at nine in the evening. had the fore and main top sail foot ropes down and repaired them.

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> S. 22° 02' W.

Came in with a brisk Northerly wind steering S.W. Later, wind hauled to Southward and Eastward are now full and by on port tack. one sail in sight off Lee quarter.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> S. 23° 10' W. 30° 31'

Came in with strong breeze from Southward ship by the wind on port tack. Have been repairing the Upper Mizzen Top sail finished and bent it by four o'clock. Later, ship heading S.W. saw nothing but a few birds

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> S. 25° 00' W. 30° 26'

Came in with a strong breeze steering S. half W at eight o'clock sang out for a large lone spear whale never saw him more so we thought he was going to windward. One sail in sight off Leeward.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> S. 27° 25' W. 30° 17'

Came in with a light breeze, steering S. half W have been employed setting up head rigging and repairing foot ropes and lifts.

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> S. 28° 30' W. 29° 27'

Came in with light breeze steering S. <sup>at</sup> work all day setting up head rigging later; most calm. saw one sail bound to the Northward.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> S. 29° 35' W. 29° 35'

Came in with light breeze steering S. have been at work setting up fore top mast rigging.

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup> 1878

Comes in with a strong breeze from the Northward steering S. Middle part. Breezed up handed the sail { fore and mizzen top gallant sails raining hard. Soater wind hauled and we are now by the wind on starboard tack everything set, one sail in sight.

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>

Sail Came in with strong wind from the S. and S. E. took in the light sails fore and mizzen top sails scatter part, still blows strong are now close to the wind on port tack saw one sail and plenty of finbacks, today.

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> S. 35° 00' W. 28° 54'

R.W. Comes in with light breeze, ship by the wind on port tack after breakfast raised two right whales going quick to windward did not lower. Soater saw one more lowered our boats for the first time for whales but did not get one.

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>

sail

Came in with a calm raised two right whales, lowered and the bow boat got one cut him in this afternoon at night started the works; One sail in sight are now under short sail on port tack.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>

sail.

Comes in light breeze, by the wind on starboard tack under short sail boiling, saw plenty of finbacks and one sail during the day

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>

Came in with a light breeze ship the wind on port tack, Soater part, finished boiling, raised a right whale lowered but did not get him. are now by the wind on starboard tack commenced to stand boats' crew watches. I am in the starboard boats' crew.

Friday 22<sup>st</sup>

sail.

Came in with a light breeze made all sail on starboard tack have been scraping bone all day and breaking out the after hold for meat, saw one sail supposed to be a whale.

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## New Bedford Thomas J. Hallett Captain

Saturday November 23<sup>d</sup> 1878

Stood ~~comes~~ in with strong wind ship close hauled on the larboard tack commenced to slow and got through by 2473 three o'clock, also wore ship heading northward <sup>gallant</sup> under three lower top sails; stowed down 80 bbls.

<sup>R.W.</sup> Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> <sup>Lat. S. 36° 10' Lon. W. 27° 55'</sup> <sup>S. 35° 54' W. 28° 20'</sup>

Came in with strong breeze and rainy. ship on starboard tack under three lower top sails. A large right whale came up under the ship lowered for him but did not get him. It was too late, he struck the ship and did not hurt her. <sup>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>S. 35° 50' W. 28° 30'</sup> <sup>Sail</sup> Came in with a calm thick rain. ship by the wind on port tack one sail in sight. raised a right whale but did not get him no wind also saw a finback stinker are now by the wind under short sail.

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> <sup>S. 35° 50'</sup>

<sup>W.B.</sup> Came in with a smacking breeze <sup>107</sup> raised a right whale first thing in the morning lowered and the second mate got him. finished cutting by the middle of the afternoon and <sup>will</sup> commence to boil at night, ship laying to under lower main top sail. my first watch out.

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>

Comes in with a smacker ship under lower main top sail on starboard tack. wore round at night boiling.

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>

Came in blowing a young gale ship under lower main top sail, tacking on starboard tack.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup>

Came in blowing hard ship on starboard tack got alone boiling at six o'clock. later a little more moderate set the larboard and upper top sails saw plenty finbacks

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>

<sup>Carried</sup> <sup>LB. 65</sup> wearing hard ship on port tack began to slow but lowered for a right whale the mate got him 3374 got him along side a three o'clock finished slowing gallant down and will cut in tomorrow. are now laying right to under lower main top sail.

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Remarks on board Ship *Vager* ofSunday December 1<sup>st</sup> 1878

Came in so rugged it took five hours to get in our whale. Later, moderated is now fine weather we are now on tack and boiling, saw nothing to day

Monday 2<sup>d</sup> Latitude Spongle S. 35° 30' W. 29° 3'

Came in fine with wind to the westward. we are boiling especially to morrow. nothing seen but finbacks. Later, we now laying with head yards about

Tuesday 3<sup>d</sup> S. 35° 40' W. 28° 4'

Came in with fine weather ship on port tack. Got through boiling at twelve o'clock, and <sup>now</sup> go to scraff bone did not quite finish. Later, saw some finbacks.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> S. 35° 40' W. 28°

Stowed Came in with light breeze and this <sup>is</sup> happy we down stowed down 65 bbls of oil put it in the after 2034 hold. had all the meat to handle made a got gallons of it. Later, are on Starboard tack under easy Right. sail.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 18' W.

Came in with strong breeze kept off to E.S. & run all day under easy sail. have been up work <sup>all</sup> day scrapping bone plenty of finbacks. Late laying too on port tack. Under lower main top sail

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 15' W. 27°

Came in with strong breeze ship on port tack under short sail but busy at ships duty plenty of finback in sight. Later, wore round. handled fore sail and spanker.

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 10' W. 26°

Came in with heavy breeze kept off at day light to S.S. & run till eight bells. then hove to on starboard tack saw finbacks. blowing heavy

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>

Came in blowing great guns; ship on port tack under short sail. Later took in fore and Mizzen top sails. it is now raining hard nothing seen to day.

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New Bedford &amp; Thomas A. Hallett, Captain

Monday December 9th 1878

Comes in with a good wind and stays on starboard tack after breakfast kept off till one, heading N.W. Then have to run west tack under lower maine top sail. Later sighted some, saw nothing.

Tuesday 10th Latitude & Longitude  
S.  $36^{\circ} 25' 00''$  W.  $28^{\circ} 45'$ 

Came in with light breeze. Ship on starboard tack made all sail and kept off till noon to S.W. then have to run same tack toward for blackfish but did not get any. saw some fire backs.

Wednesday 11th S.  $36^{\circ} 40' 00''$  W.  $28^{\circ} 00'$ 

Came in with light breeze. Ship on starboard tack made all sail and kept off till noon to S.W. then have to run same tack toward for blackfish but did not get any. saw some fire backs

Thursday 12th

 S.B. Came in with a good breeze. on port tack made all sail after breakfast raised a right whale covered and chased him all day. struck him at night got him alongside at eight o'clock.

Friday 13th S.  $36^{\circ} 50' 00''$  W.  $27^{\circ} 25'$ 

Came in with a good breeze at daylight. Sail got through hole down. made sail and went by the wind on port tack, raised a sail which proved to be the Palmetto Capt. Bolds going on four years out 1100 bbls. all told had luck. & Mr. Young still have been on this round twenty five days and taken 320 bbls. Ship by the wind on port tack

Saturday 14th S.  $36^{\circ} 50'$ 

Came in fine with light breeze made all sail raised a big right whale going to windward like a race horse, covered but did not get him. Later moderate weather seeing Palmetto in sight.

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Sunday December 15<sup>th</sup> 1878

*WB* Came in with light breeze from  
S. 36° 45' W. 27° 30' ship by the wind on port tack  
made all sail and after breakfast raised another  
one lowered and got him and cut him in we  
finished boiling at 6 this morning. Later moderate  
are now under which is sail

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 52' W. 27° 30' Latitude & Longitude

Sail Comes in with brisk breeze ship close hauled on  
Starboard tack one sail in sight. It is not  
wore sound it is raining and we are boiling  
plenty of finbacks in sight

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 52' W. 27° 30'

Bark Came in with light breeze and rain finished  
boiling at dinner time, spoke the bark Morning  
Star, Capt. Seabury two months out with an oil  
saw no "fish" today except finbacks.

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 50' W. 27° 50'

Stowed Came in with stiff breeze and thick nasty weather  
soon began to slow down at daylight finished by  
4540 eleven o'clock stowed a little over 153 lbs. <sup>and</sup>  
gallows are now under port sail saw nothing but finbacks  
Rig'd. to day.

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 50' W. 26° 28'

Came in with light breeze made all sail on the  
starboard tack. Morning Star in sight.  
have been scraping bone got through at two.  
Later, wore ship another sail in sight off  
the beam supposed to be a whale

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 20' W. 27° 00'

Came in with light breeze are on the starboard  
tack all sail set, crew washing their clothes later.  
moderate took in sail at sunset.

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> S. 37° 00' W. —

To day we have a fine breeze made all sail on  
port tack after dinner kept off to East.  
Later, blew up hard so have to on port tack  
took in sail and out more and again lower  
topsails, one sail in sight off a beam  
supposed to be the Morning Star. on the  
same tack

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New Bedford &amp; Thomas A. Gallett Cap

Sunday December 22<sup>d</sup> 1878

Comes in with weavy breeze and thick. raised a Schooner  
Schooner which was the Caleb Eaton Capt. H. C. 75 bbls  
six months out. also saw a carcass and passed a large  
English merchant ship, later part thickened up, are on  
starboard tack raised a school of black fish lowered and  
got fast to but lost him. our third mate got knocked  
overboard. Latitude and Longitude S.  $36^{\circ} 40' W.$   $23^{\circ} 54'$

Monday 23<sup>d</sup> S.  $36^{\circ} 25' W.$ 

Came in with light breeze made all sail steering East  
after dinner raced round on port tack it is thick hazy  
weather the Caleb Eaton is still in sight. Later,  
are on starboard tack under lower main top sail  
saw some finbacks

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>

Came in blowing a half grown hurricane. Ship  
laying to under lowe main top sail. middle part  
is moderateing set whole top sails. Later fine weather  
are steering West. stand sea watch to night my  
eight hours out. plenty of finbacks around

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 40' W.$   $26^{\circ} 00'$ 

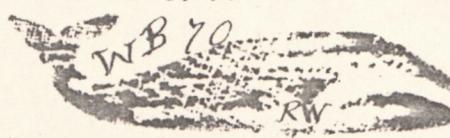
bark Merry Christmas and a fine day made all sail  
on port tack this morning. the Palmetto passed  
this morning. Later we under short sail, plenty  
of finbacks in sight. we had roast pig for dinner.

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 18' W.$   $25^{\circ} 25'$ 

Came in with a calm we set on port tack  
Palmetto in sight. Later the Palmetto lowered and  
chased a whale till dark but did not get him we  
did not lower.

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> S. W.

Came in with light breeze made all sail Palmetto  
in sight whaling they struck one but lost him. Later  
we lowered and chased till dark but did not get one  
there were seven whales.

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> S. W.

Came in with a strong breeze on the  
starboard tack Palmetto in sight lowered for whale, the  
mate got fast and killed him but he sunk and took  
one tick of line before he would go or cast. Later lowered  
for another and the Second Mate got him along side  
at seven. Palmetto still in sight off weather bow.

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Sunday December 29<sup>th</sup> 1878

Came in with a strong breeze thick and foggy. began to cut at daylight got through at ten later raised another covered L.B. and W.B. waist boat struck him and killed him but his work are now boiling. it is blowing hard.

Latitude  $37^{\circ} 20'$  Longitude  $25^{\circ} 25' W.$ 

Monday 30<sup>th</sup>

Sail Came in blowing a gale which makes bad work Boiling raised the bark Palmetto with a whale along side but was not cutting it is so rugged. Later two large whales passed with in shot of the ship under the stern we did not lower it was six o'clock and rugged ship under lower main top sail and it blows like the devil.

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup>  $37^{\circ} 20' W. 25^{\circ} 25'$ 

Came in with light wind and we boiled lowered three times for whales but got nothing. Later moderate finished boiling at sun-set.

So ends the year of our board 1878 in Latitude  $37^{\circ} 20'$  South and Longitude  $25^{\circ} 25'$  West. on the Clipper Ship Niger of New Bedford, Massachusetts, United States of America, 500 bbls all told

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New Bedford. Thomas A. Hallett Captain

Wednesday January 1<sup>st</sup> 1879

New Year's day came in with a smart breeze, ship on port tack by the wind. all sail set. have been at work scraping bone, just at sunset lowered for a whale but did not get him came aboard and in hoisting the starboard boat the mate got his fingers where it was didn't belong and got them badly jammed bone is broke. took in sail for the night.

Latitude  $37^{\circ} 12' S.$  Longitude  $25^{\circ} 05' W.$ 

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Came in with fine breeze made all sail on the starboard tack. finished stowing down, and lowered down for a whale but failed in our design. Later, took in 2652 sail on port tack

gallons

Right.

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Lat.  $37^{\circ} 20'$  Long.  $25^{\circ} 05' W.$ 

Came in with fine breeze, on port tack all sail set. Bark. Middle part raised fore sail the Palmetto and Louisa turned till ten o'clock; took in sail at sun set. saw two right whales they gave no chance so we did not lower.

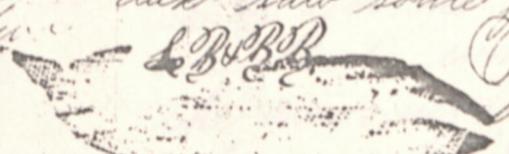
Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>

Came in with fine breeze made all sail on port tack. the Louisa in sight raised whale and lowered but did not strike him. Later, lowered again and the Waist Boat struck and lost him. chased him and the starboard boat struck him he took all their line. We are now on port tack.

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 20'$ 

Sail. Came in with light breeze and thick made all sail on port tack. Middle part raised a sail to leeward which we suppose is the Draco of N.B. Later had a little rain are now under short sail on starboard tack saw some finbacks.

Yours

Monday 6<sup>th</sup>

Came in a fine day and a lucky one made all sail on the port tack after breakfast were ship at ten raised whale lowered and the S.B. struck they came to windward and the B.B. struck another just as Mr. Morse struck the mate lost his shooting blood lowered the S. Boat and struck him again got him alongside at one cut in one before dark sailed the works. will cut the other in the morning but sail in sight

1879

Remarks on vessel & watch Tiger of

Tuesday the seventh day of January 1879  
Five months out to day with 500 bbls in the  
hold and two large whales in the blubber room  
began to cut this morning and got through at noon  
are now boiling. It is fine weather, we are under short  
sail on starboard tack.

(W)ednesday 8th

Came in fine weather made all sail w/ port  
tack at work boiling. So far, light breeze took in sail

Thursday 9th Lat.  $38^{\circ} 30' S.$  Longt  $25^{\circ} 54' W.$

Came in with light breeze Ship full and by on  
port tack. So far little more breeze saw nothing to day

Friday 10th S  $37^{\circ} 25' W.$   $25^{\circ} 00'$

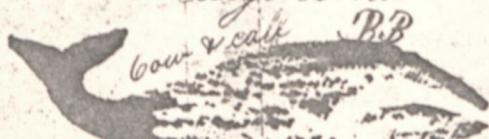
Stowed Came in with light breeze and thick, began to  
down stow down put some in main hold and some in  
4874 fore stowed about 160 bbls are now on starboard  
gallons gallons under short sail.

Right tack under short sail.



Saturday 11th S  $37^{\circ} 50' W.$   $25^{\circ} 34'$

Came in with light breeze made all  
sail on the port tack, scraping bone, after breakfast  
kept off S. by W. at four sawed a whale lowered  
and the mate got him, we got him alongside at  
seven. are now on Starboard tack under short  
sail. five months & four days out 640 bbls and a  
large whale along side.



Sunday 12th

Came in with light breeze began  
to cut at daylight got through at nine. raised two  
more cows and the P.B. got the calf and the  
S.B. got the cow, but the laws of right whaling  
are that, whosoever striketh the calf claimeth  
the cow, verily I say both counteth for the P.B.  
got one cut in before dark and started the work  
at sunset will cut the other in the morning  
there is a bark off to leeward boiling twice  
is proved to be the P. Gornold of N.B.  
my first watch out

20 New Bedford, Mass. 4. H. Abbott Captain

Monday January 13th 1879  
Came in with "fable" a breeze at "thick" nasty  
disagreeable weather we at work boiling, last night  
parted from our calf and lost him I for one was  
glad he was more trouble then he would have been  
worth. Later part moderated and the sun came out  
we are on the starboard tack the bark is in sight  
to leeward he picked up our calf and run off.

Tuesday 14th Sat.  $38^{\circ}05' S.$   $25^{\circ}43' W.$   
Came in with light breeze ship by the wind on  
port tack. Later rain. Boiling still saw nothing  
from mast head.

Wednesday 15th S.  $38^{\circ}20' W.$   $25^{\circ}32'$   
Came in early finished boiling at seven later a  
little breeze ship steering S half W. took in sail.

Thursday 16th S.  $38^{\circ}50' W.$   $25^{\circ}30'$   
Staved. Came in rainy and blowy. Stowed down  
down 101 lbs, and got through at four o'clock. Later  
3152 took in Fore and Mizen top sails are laying  
gallows to on starboard tack. Slowing a young gale.

Friday 17th  
Came in blowing a Souther; with dirty rain  
to make it agreeable, middle part. it moderated  
cosed the fore and mizen top sails, later part  
good weather ship by the wind on Starboard tack  
nothing seen to day.

Saturday 18th S.  $41^{\circ}30' W.$   $25^{\circ}40'$   
Came in with strong breeze, made all sail and  
run off to S. W. all day. scraped two heads of bone  
and got some on deck to dry. nothing in sight but  
two pinnacles. Later blows some ship on Starboard  
tack under short sail.

Sunday 19th S.  $42^{\circ}10' W.$   $26^{\circ}00'$   
Came in blowing somewhat if not more raised  
a whale lowered two hooks but it was so rugged  
they could not do anything they came back,  
later, moderated plenty of feed in the water.  
are now on port tack.

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Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Monday January 20th 1879

Came in with breeze <sup>out</sup> thick, lowered for  
whales but it commenced to blow so had to come  
aboard, it is now blowing a heavy gale ship hove  
to on port tack under single main top sail  
it is now very bad in Lat. 44° 20' south

Tues day 21st      Latitude & longitude  
Still blowing slightly, ship hove too on port  
tack, middle part, more round, nothing doing and  
no men at masthead. Later, still smacking with  
frequent squalls of cutting hail. still hove to  
under lower main top sail.

Wednesday 22<sup>d</sup> 842° 07' W. 25° 36'  
Still slightly breezy ship laying on port tack  
under single main top sail and stays stays  
no one at masthead, all well, a little hail now and  
then to embitter us.

Thursday 23<sup>d</sup>  
Still blowing ship on port tack a whaler  
in sight up to windward supposed to be the  
Louisa, did not gain as it blew so like her.

Friday 24<sup>d</sup>  
Still in the gale. no one at mast head if we  
saw whales we could not lower. are now on  
starboard tack rolling and pitching like the very  
devil.

Saturday 25<sup>d</sup>  
Last night the gale broke so today is nice  
weather made all sail on port tack, got two  
porpoises and saw plenty of porpoises & two  
Finbacks. Later are on starboard tack under  
short sail.

Sunday 26<sup>d</sup>  
Came in with light breeze and thick, made  
all sail on port tack saw two Finbacks.  
Later part are under short sail

Monday 27<sup>d</sup>  
Came in thick and foggy made all sail  
on port tack, caught a porpoise and saw two  
Finbacks. Later are now under short sail on  
starboard tack. still thick.

New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett Captain

Tuesday January 28th 1879  
Came in with a smart whole top sail breeze  
are on the starboard tack after breakfast kept  
off to S. W. middle part increasing wind  
took in upper top sails. at night hove too  
again on the same tack under short sail.

Wednesday 29th S.  $42^{\circ} 45' 07''$  W.  $26^{\circ} 10'$   
Came in with a light breeze and thick made  
a sail on port tack. Later, it lit up a little  
so some finbacks. are now under short sail.

Thursday 30th S.  $42^{\circ} 45' 07''$   
Came in with a thick fog set the foresail and  
kept off to North. Left almost calm ship on  
port tack.

Friday 31st S.  $42^{\circ} 10' 00''$  W.  $22^{\circ} 00'$   
Came in thick and raining hard and blowing  
a smacker. Ship on port tack, loosed the  
fore and main topsails and kept off to East  
run till sunset and then come to on port  
tack under short sail.

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Saturday February 1<sup>st</sup> 1879

Today comes in with strong breeze and thick set the fore sail after breakfast kept off S.E. middle part lit up and moderated so we set the light sails saw only Humpbacks are now on starboard tack under short sail.

Latitude 41° 54' S. 20° 00' W.

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> S. 42° 25' W. 18° 00'

Today comes in with a light breeze made all sail on the starboard tack kept off S. by N. later blowing hard came to on port tack under short sail

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> S. 41° 35' W. 16° 12'

Came in fine weather made all sail on port tack and kept off S.S.E. steered so till sunset took in the light sails and are now steering S. saw nothing.

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> S. 42° 25' W. 15° 25'

Comes in with light breeze mad all sail on the port tack at noon kept off S.S.E. till sunset then took in all but lower top sails steering the same saw some Humpbacks

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> S. 44° 00' W. 14° 30'

Came in thick and foggy made all sail steering S. later came to the wind on port tack heading about N.E. with all sail set nothing seen to day

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>

Came in thick and nasty ship by the wind on port tack all sail set, seas carried away one of the Bob stays took in all sail to repair it it is breezing all the time and we are now under short sail saw nothing to day

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> S. 42° 30' W. 11° 00'

Came in with moderate ship by the wind on port tack all sail set heading to the Northward.

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Lat. 40-19 S. Long. 9 44 W.

Came in with strong breeze under all sail on the port tack at two in the afternoon raised the Gough Island, got ready to go fishing but had a squall and bursted the main top sail upper one so we gave up fishing; and patched clothes. Later part strong breeze on port tack nothing seen.

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New Bedford, Chamas A. Halleth. Captain.

Sunday February 9th, 1879. Seattlader soayi.  
Came in with a light breeze from the Northward. Ship  
by the wind on port tack, saw nothing to day.

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 33' W.$   $9^{\circ} 00'$

Came in with light breeze and all sail set been washing  
Sail bone all day one Merchantman in sight steering off  
Soater moderate breeze took in all the light sails  
are now looking for Sperm Whales.



Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 00' W.$   $7^{\circ} 20'$

Came in with light breeze made all sail  
on port tack at seven Bill. sung out  
for sperm Whales off Lee Quarter going  
to windward lowered and the Waist Boat.  
struck chased the school off S.B. chased them  
and struck one. got them alongside at four in the afternoon  
began cutting got one head in before dark. it is  
now blowing great guns may loose them both before  
morning.

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 00'$

Came in smoking, commenced cutting at daylight  
and got all through at three o'clock are now steering  
off West bound for the land of (fresh beef and potatoes)  
the Island Tristan Achna, under short sail boiling.

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> S.  $36^{\circ} 05' W.$   $10^{\circ} 00'$

Came in a nice day steering S.W. under all sail.  
Sail. all day. saw a sail steering to the Northward. Soater  
took in light sail steering the same boiling.

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> S. W.

Came in nice weather the Island of Tristan Achna  
Capt went ashore came back at dark we are laying off  
and out under all sail finished boiling this morning

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>

Came in with light breeze sent two boats ashore for  
potatoes was trading all day got through at dark  
then kept off N.C. by E. under all sail bound to cruise  
for the Sperm Whales.

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 50' W.$   $10^{\circ} 40'$

Came in with light breeze steering N.C. by E. later  
part took in sail on port tack, light breeze  
saw nothing

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Monday February 17<sup>th</sup> 1879

Stowed Game in with good breeze began to stow down  
downward got through at three have been steering of  
2037 to the Eastward all day, later moderate came to on  
gallionsport tack under short sail. S. 35° 03' W. 10° 40'  
Sperm.

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 50' W. 9° 40'  
Came in with a light breeze. wore ship after  
breakfast as the wind hauled to the Southward  
washed bone all day. are now on Starboard tack  
under short sail

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 20' W. 8° 30'  
Came in with light breeze Ship by the wind  
on Starboard tack. wore ship three times to day  
have been washing washing bone all day Hatch  
part calm ship is now on port tack under  
short sail.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 34' W. 8° 38'  
Came in with light breeze Ship on the port tack  
after breakfast wore ship. washed bone all day  
Later part. beizing up so we took in all sail  
on Starboard tack nothing seen to day

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> S. 34° 35' W. 7° 45'  
Came in with light breeze Ship on Starboard  
tack, we finished bone torture to day exceptive  
will pack it later. moderate breeze Ship on the  
same tack nothing seen to day

Saturday 22<sup>d</sup> S. 35° 00' W. 7° 20'  
Came in with light breeze Ship by the wind  
on the port tack middle part kept off S. W. later  
part moderate breeze took in all sail and came to  
on port tack

Sunday 23<sup>d</sup> S. 34° 57' W. 6° 00'  
To day came in with light breeze made all sail  
on port tack. Stored oil at 12 noon. Later part  
took in sail and came to on port tack.

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> S. 35° 00' W. 3° 47'  
Came in blowing strong Ship by the wind on port  
tack middle part took in sail later took in  
bone steering A. S. S. most all day. Later part moderated  
came to on port tack

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New Bedford. Thomas J. Gallett Captain

Tuesday February 25<sup>th</sup> 1879 Latitude longt.  
Came in with less wind. Set the jib and fore sail  
Ship on port tack. latter part had a sudden shift of  
wind and blew hard took in all sail and wore round

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 40' W. 2° 20'  
Came in with strong breeze. Set on starboard tack under  
port sail, have been reefing the main topmast staysail  
sail all day. raised a sail which proved to be a merchant brig  
later, she is still in sight. Took in sail on the same  
tack

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> S. 33° 47'  
Came in with a light wind. all sail on starboard  
tack. Since were up, one sail in sight a merchantman  
sail, at noon set back to port, all hands hard at work  
to day doing nothing, nothing been seen from starboard

Friday 28<sup>th</sup>  
Came in blowing hard or a change. Ship on port tack  
raised a white water which we made west to be jumbo  
number to leeward. Middle part left off at 6. by C. had several  
sharp squalls. latter part came to on port tack under  
port sail.

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>  
Written by mistake as this is not leap year  
when February has 29 days, therefore I will say  
good bye and turn over

If wisdom's ways you'd wisely seek,  
Give things observe with care,  
Of whome you speak, To whom you speak,  
And how, and when, and where.

## Remarks in mine. Inf. &amp; V. of

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March 1879

Came in with a moderate breeze. Shipped by the wind on port tack after breakfast kept off to N. C. by S. run till twelve then hove to on Starboard tack. S. have been at work breaking out the main yard. Soater moderate breeze took all sail. Lat. 34° 30' S. Lon. 58° East.

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> S. 34° 15'

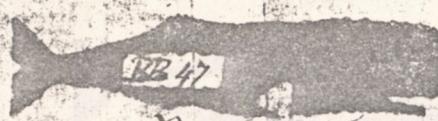
Came in nice weather made all sail on Starboard tack. Soater took in sail on same tack nothing seen but Porpoises.

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> S. 33° 45' E. 3° 05'

Came in with a light breeze made all sail on Starboard tack after breakfast more ship have been at work to day. Rattling down the main rigging broke out water. Soater moderate breeze, hauled up the course and hauled the port sail.

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 22' E. 2° 03'

Came in with light breeze made all sail on port tack after dinner kept off W. N. W. have been scraping iron work getting ready or port Soater steering the same saw one Humpback.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 20' E. 0° 20'

Came in with light breeze after noon W. N. W. sent the foresail down to repair it at twelve o'clock raised a large school of whale lower and the Bow boat got one. got him along side at four, will cut him to morn. It is now calm all sail in the starboard boat struck but lost him.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 28' E. 15'

Commenced cutting and it is a lovely day and no wind finished cutting at ten after dinner started the works and made all sail on the port tack. Soater part calm took in all the light sail on the same tack.

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 33' E. 0° 09'

One more month has rolled off our year & finished boiling at noon making us 850 miles seven months out. Soater part moderate tack in all sail on the starboard tack.

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V. B. Payne & Co. & J. M. Bell Capilano

Saturday March 8<sup>th</sup> 1879

Stowed Game in with light breeze set the topsails and down took the main at noon ship on port tack. wore ship 1499 and began to slow down got through at four stowed gallows 47 bbls. Saw two white waters during the day. So after Sperm. came too again on the port tack under short sail.

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Lat. 34° 50'S. Lon. 00° 04' E.

Came in with light breeze made all sail on starboard tack middle part kept off East run till dark then came to on the port tack and made all sail bound for S. 2° 4' S. or steering N.N.E. half S. a strong breeze

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> S. 32° 06' E. 1° 40'

Came in with a light breeze steering N.N.E. all sail set. have been at small odd jobs. So after steering N. the wind working a little more to the Westward.

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> S. 31° 00' E. 1° 30'

Came in with light breeze from the Southward steering North with all sail set. Saw one white water. So after the wind has hauled to the Eastward and is light we are steering N.E.

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> S. 29° 50' E. 1° 20'

Came in with light breeze with frequent squalls of rain after dinner rained a large school of small whales toward all four boat's bill before we got there some porpoises got among them and started them off chased them till dark and then the Second mate got a calf. will take him in to morrow are now steering N.E. all sail set

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> S. 29° 05' E. 1° 15'

Came in with light breeze steering N.E. with all sail set took in our calf in one blanket piece will fry him Saturday middle part calm. So after breeze up from the Northward so are now close hauled on port tack all sail set.

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> S. 28° 00' W. 13'

Wind is not calm the ship holds steerageway but makes no headway. Fired out the upper gun made about five 60 lbs or six. So after have a little air steering at V.P. nothing seen to day.

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Remarks on our Ship Niger of

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March 1879

Sail. Came in with light breeze steering N.E., have been at work ratting down the fore rigging, finished one side. passed a bark steering to the Westward, later the same

Latitude 27° 50' S. Longitude W. 43°

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>

Came in with fair breeze steering N half E. going about seven knots. Later the same S 26° 20' W. 1° 26'

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Latitude 24° 46' S. Longitude 32° 10' W.

Came in with strong breeze all she wants with all sail set. Later the same nothing seen

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>

S. 20° 00' W. 4° 25'

Came in with fine breeze not quite so hard as yesterday, steering N.E. nothing seen, and we are at work fixing up for port.

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>

S. 17° 46' W. 5° 02'

Came in blowing lightly, steering S. Under all sail. Later. Blew up sharp, took in light sail effect to make the land in middle watch

Anchored.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

Came in with fine light breeze steering N. sawed land about daylight, and came to an anchor in St. Helena harbor at four in the afternoon.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup>

Are laying at anchor over at work washing ships. One whaler was off and out.

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>

Have been at work painting. Starboard watch ashore on liberty.

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Port watch ashore on liberty.

Monday 24<sup>th</sup>

Crew employed at ships duty. Bark Atlantic came to an anchor.

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>

Packed boat ad did ships duty.  
Bark Phoebe W. Morgan came to anchor

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C. W. Geddes &amp; Sons, &amp; G. G. Allott, Captain

Wednesday 26th March 1879

Sailed. Weighed anchor and stood out to sea for a week's cruise waiting for the Schooner, Lottie Beard to arrive. Set now by the wind on Starboard tack under top-sails. Two sails in sight the Atlantic and Brig P. G. Moore.

Thursday 27th

Came in with strong breeze ship by the wind on Starboard tack. Later, wore ship and are now close hauled under top-sails and courses

Friday 28th

Came in running hard stood toward the Land and raised at two points on off a Bow, stood in till eleven then stood off short on Starboard tack, three sails in sight during the day.

Saturday 29th

Came in with moderate breeze kept off for the land after breakfast and in the course run into two large whalers they were on Starboard quarter. Thermometer raised till we gallied them and chased them till four o'clock. are now running the bank of Hebrides and are now west sight. Land bearing W by S. distant twenty miles

Sunday 30th

Came in from a short run on sail on Starboard tack three sails in sight the Banks and one Schooner bound in. Later, full and by with the Land in sight

Monday 31st

Came in with light breeze and all sail was kept tight, two sails in sight in the afternoon spoke Bark Mary Magdalene bound in. Later, run down to land and hove to an off shore bank under short sail four sails in sight

For every evil under the Sun,  
There's a remedy, or there's none,  
If there is one, try and find it  
If there is none, ever mind it;

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Dates. Tuesday April 1<sup>st</sup> 1879Came in with light breeze are still off and on  
four whale ships in sight. will go in and anchor  
tomorrowWednesday 2<sup>d</sup>Came in fine weather will not go in till tomorrow  
this morning gained the Bark Sea Queen homeward  
bound 41 months out with 900 bbls all told later  
land in sight and ~~two~~ two sails. all sail setThursday 3<sup>d</sup>Run in to day Capt. Hallett came aboard  
and brought the Ship to an anchor bound the  
Scotie Beard in so will discharge our oil next weekFriday 4<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutySaturday 5<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutySunday 6<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutyMonday 7<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutyTuesday 8<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutyWednesday 9<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutyThursday 10<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutyFriday 11<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutySaturday 12<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutySunday 13<sup>th</sup> Port watch on shore for a run.Monday 14<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutyTuesday 15<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutyWednesday 16<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutyThursday 17<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutyFriday 18<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutySaturday 19<sup>th</sup> At work at Ships dutySunday 20<sup>th</sup> Starboard watch on shore for a run. Went to  
Bonapartz tomb.Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Still breaking out.Tuesday 22<sup>d</sup> At work at Ships dutyWednesday 23<sup>d</sup> At work at Ships dutyThursday 24<sup>th</sup> At work still but almost done.Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Starboard watch on liberty. I had a fine timeSaturday 26<sup>th</sup> Port watch ashore on liberty.Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Starboard watch on libertyMonday 28<sup>th</sup> Port watch on liberty for the last timeTuesday 29<sup>th</sup> At work getting the Ship ready for sea.Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Tomorrow will be all ready to sail.

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New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett Captain

Thursday May 1<sup>st</sup> 1879  
Nothing much to do. But wait for Capt. Gallett.Friday 2<sup>d</sup>  
Doing nothing but sleeping.Sailed Saturday 3<sup>d</sup>

To day we shall bid good bye to the rock. The Bark Tamerlaine got under way at three o'clock she came way up to the Wanderer almost collided. at four Capt Gallett came aboard and we took our departure with many cheers from shore. Bark Catalpa sailed one hour later for home. The Wanderer and Drako are the only ships left.

We are now by the wind on Starboard tack under topsail and courses. Our John Sylvie went home in the Catalpa.

Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup>Came in with light breeze all sail set at daylight, wore ship and again at 10<sup>th</sup> two sails in sight Tamerlaine and Catalpa later moderate breeze on Starboard tack with the land just in sight astern nothing else seen.Monday May 5<sup>th</sup>

Came in with moderate breeze ship by the wind on Starboard tack.

Tuesday May 6<sup>th</sup> <sup>South. S. West.</sup> Latitude & Longitude

13° 25' 03° 03'

Came in with light breeze on Starboard tack in the morning raised a port but did not make it out. Soated, wore ship all sail set with a moderate breeze.

Wednesday May 7<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 35' W. 1° 53'

Came in with light breeze ship on Starboard tack later wore ship are now going all sail set heading to the Southard. and Westward

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 00' W. 1° 20'

Came in with light breeze ship on port tack raised whale at daylight lowered and each boat got one. are now by the wind on Starboard tack under short sail, will cut to morrow.



## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Friday May 9<sup>th</sup> 1879 <sup>South</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
Came in with a light breeze and got out in at half past six  
got through at the stores on works after dinner  
saw one Humpback whale monaster are on the Starboard  
tack by the wind under all sail boiling nine months  
out with 900 bbls of oil and 6.552 lbs of bone

Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 00' W. 1° 39'  
12° 35' 1° 50'  
Came in with light breeze Ship by the wind  
on Starboard tack, boiling middle part wore ship  
finished boiling at sunset.

Sunday May 11<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 06' W. 2° 39'  
Came in with light breeze Ship by the wind  
on port tack, after dinner wore ship all sail set  
nothing seen.

Monday May 12<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 00' W. 2° 00'  
Stowed Game in with strong breeze and frequent squalls  
lower ship close hauled on Port tack commenced stowing  
1527 gallons down after breakfast got through at sunset, are now  
Sperm by the wind on Starboard tack.

Tuesday May 13<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 16' W. 39'  
Came in with good breeze by the wind on Starboard  
tack have been at work setting up shooks and  
setting up foretop mast rigging saw a Humpback  
during the day later. blows strong took in some  
of our light sails.

Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 30' W. 00° 00'  
Are still beating to windward with a strong  
breeze Ship by the wind on port tack have been  
at work today setting up shooks latter. strong  
breeze all sail set.

Thursday May 15<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 40' <sup>East</sup> 18'  
Came in with strong breeze Ship on Starboard  
tack finished setting up shooks latter. strong  
wind took in the upper topsails on port tack.

Friday May 16<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 40' E. 40'  
Came in with strong breeze under topsails on  
Starboard tack. Sent down the upper and lower  
Mizzen top sails repaired them and bent them  
at three o'clock latter strong wind just ate the fly  
jib. nothing seen

New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett Captain

Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup> 1879 <sup>South.</sup> Latitude and Longt.  
Came in with moderate breeze Ship by the wind  
on Starboard tack, have been employed mending sails  
Boats made all sail, saw nothing to day

Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup> <sup>E. 2° 28'</sup> S. 13° 00' E. 3° 20'  
Came in with good breeze Ship on Starboard tack  
under all sail. One Finback seen during the day

Monday May 19<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 05' <sup>W.</sup> 5° 50'  
Came in with light breeze Ship by the wind on  
Starboard tack under all sail. Took the Starboard  
boat in on deck to be repaired also painted the  
Starboard boat. Saw nothing to day

Tuesday May 20<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 20' <sup>W.</sup> 4° 00'  
Came in with light breeze Ship on Starboard tack  
all sail set. Have been at work on Starboard boat also  
painted the bowboat. Saw a small whale today  
but could not make it out later. on same tack

Wednesday May 21<sup>st</sup> S. 12° 24' <sup>E.</sup> 9° 50'  
Came in with all strong breeze Ship on Starboard  
tack. Painted the Starboard boat and took in the  
Waist boat for repairs. Later. moderate breeze all  
sail set.

Thursday May 22<sup>d</sup> S. 12° 50' <sup>E.</sup> 11° 04'  
Came in with strong breeze by the wind on  
Starboard tack. Repairing the waist boat and  
coattaining the jib and Fly jib jumpers. Saw a  
number of Humpbacks later a moderate breeze  
by the wind on Starboard tack. all sail set

Friday May 23<sup>d</sup> S. 13° 35' <sup>E.</sup> 11° 30'  
Came in blowing with hard Ship on Starboard tack  
by now almost calm. got the waist boat out and painted  
her. Later. moderate breeze on same tack. all sail set

Saturday May 24<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 51' <sup>E.</sup> 10° 45'  
Came in with light breeze by the wind on Port  
tack we have been at work letting in a strand to  
one of the fore topmast backstays. Later a light  
breeze Ship on Starboard tack under all sail

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Sunday May 25th 1879 <sup>South East Latitude & Longitude</sup>  
 Came in with light breeze Ship on Starboard tack. Fine weather all day but nothing seen but  
 30 upracks. It is now a lovely evening the moon is  
 shining bright and clear, just the kind of an evening  
 to take a side to dear old Scanset; or the south shore  
 of old Nantucket, but we are close hauled under  
 all sail working to windward. 14° 50' 11° 15'

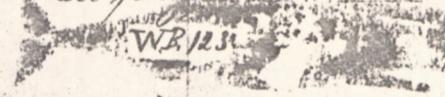
Monday May 26th S. 15° 20' E. 11° 29'  
 Came in with strong breeze Ship on Starboard tack  
 at nine raised land the coast of Africa on Lee Bow  
 Have been painting the bands round the masts  
 and made some spun yarn. Sails on same tack under  
 all sail land still in sight.

Sail

Tuesday May 27th S. 16° 12' E. 10° 20'  
 Came in with strong breeze Ship on port tack  
 have been at work to day breaking out whale and painted  
 some saw one H.B. during the day after dinner raised  
 a sail off the weather beam made it out a whale on  
 the same tack we are on. Sails on same tack under  
 all sail land still in sight  
 it is now a moderate breeze with all sail set.



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Wednesday May 28th S. 16° 25' E. 10° 20'  
 Came in with a strong breeze Ship  
 on port tack raised whale before breakfast  
 gained quick to windward lowered two boats and  
 got and got him cut in by noon and the Bark  
 B. Gosnold came down to us. Sails are now under  
 short sail boiling and gaining, Capt. Robinson and  
 his Wife and Mr. Pratt are on board spending the  
 evening.

Thursday May 29th S. 16° 15' E. 9° 00  
 Came in with good breeze Ship on port  
 tack The second mate of the Gosnold  
 came on board and we exchanged time. after his boat  
 left at half past nine raised a long whale, lowered  
 the second mate and he struck him he knocked  
 the whole bows off the boat. got him alongside and got  
 his head almost off by dark. are now laying on  
 Starboard tack under short sail. his jaw measured  
 17 ft 9 inches in length

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New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett Captain

Friday May 30<sup>th</sup> 1879 <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>East</sup> Longitude  
Came in with light breeze began to eat at daylight  
got through at two finished boiling first one this  
morning one sail in sight during the day supposed  
to be the Fornoid.

Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup> S. 16° E. 9° 04'  
Came in with a light breeze ship on starboard  
tack are now Boiling fast as we can middle part  
saw a white water, also saw a Humpback. later.  
are now on Port tack, lovely times. I am seventeen  
years old to day. first birthday away from home  
three years ago I had no intention of ever being  
a sailor, but things have changed since Iannate  
died.

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Sunday June 1<sup>st</sup> 1879 S. latitude & longitude  
 Came in slope by weather are on port tack  
 barely employed boiling. raised a Finback and  
 one Humpback. Later part more ship moderate breeze  
 all sail set got through boiling at sunset. twenty six  
 casks headed up. S. 16° 51' E. 9° 00'

Monday 2<sup>d</sup> of June S. 15° 58' E. 9° 21'  
 Came in with strong breeze by the wind on  
 Starboard tack under short sail. have been repairing  
 the W.B. at four this afternoon raised a school of  
 sperm whales four miles off Weatherbeam lowered.  
 last night came on so we came aboard

Tuesday June 3<sup>d</sup>  
 d 230  
 Came in blowing strong ship on port tack  
 began stowing down in the morning at nine  
 raised whales going to windward like thunder lowered  
 but got none came aboard at noon at one raised another  
 school lowered and got one.

Wednesday June 4<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 08' E. 8° 48'  
 Stand Game in blowing airless; Ship on Starboard tack  
 down commenced stowing at daylight got through at noon  
 189 then cut in got through at three. Stowed 165 bbls  
 gallon hales port blowing great guns are on Starboard  
 tack my watch on deck. Over smooth from port with  
 200 bbls and a whale in the blubberoom.

Thursday June 5<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 00' E. 9° 48'  
 Came in blowing south. ship on Starboard tack  
 under short sail got through boiling at nine this  
 morning washed deck, saw two H.B. that is all  
 later. it still bloweth and nearly it is  
 uncomfortable ship on same tack under topsails.

Friday June 6<sup>th</sup>  
 Came in still blowing ship on port tack stowed  
 down 30 bbls of oil, at four raised whale going  
 Stowed to leward like shot. lowered but got none it  
 down being so rugged. Later are now on Starboard  
 861 tack under short sail  
 gallons  
 Sperm

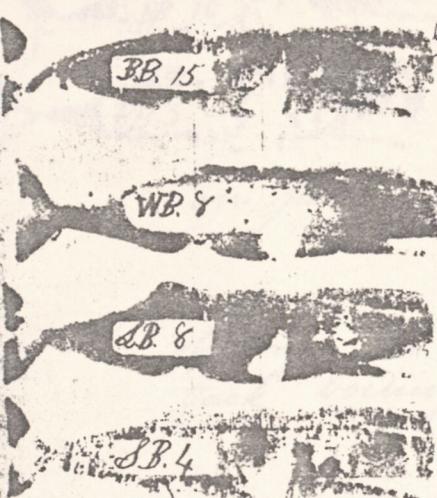
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New Bedford Thomas C. Hallitt Captain

Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup> 1879 Latitude & Longitude

Today are by the wind under short sail.

We are ten months out today with 330 barrels  
of Sperm and 740 of <sup>from home</sup> whale and 6559 lbs of bone.

S. 16° 05' E. 9° 00'

Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 18' E.  
Came in with strong breeze Ship on  
Port tack at dinner time raised a school  
of small whales. lowered and got four  
got them. alongside at sunset are now  
on Starboard tack under short sailMonday June 9<sup>th</sup> S. 15° 40' E. 8° 20'Came in with strong breeze commenced  
to cut at daylight got them in at noon. are now  
by the wind on Starboard tack under short sail  
boiling.Tuesday June 10<sup>th</sup>Came in with light breeze Ship on Starboard  
tack. saw one white whale think it was a humpback  
Later finished boiling and are on the same tack under  
short sailWednesday June 11<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 00' E. 9° 01'Came in blowing hard. Ship on Port tack have  
not done anything to day. but they are repairing  
the Waist boat. Later part moderated some more  
round and gave her the topsails.Thursday June 12<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 12' E. 9° 20'Came in with light breeze Ship by the wind  
Staved on Port tack, stowed down and got done early  
down, got the Waist boat out and were ship are now  
1279 under all sail with a moderate breeze.gallons  
SpermFriday June 13<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 22' E. 9° 25'Came in with light S. ship under all sail on port  
tack. Mr. Peters & Morse have been at work on  
their new boat sails and the Boys are  
making spun yarn very little I did but help  
Mr. Peters set a sail. Later, a little more  
wind all sail set

## Remarks on board Ship Niger &amp;

Saturday June 14<sup>th</sup> 1879 Latitude. South Longitude

BB. 17

BB. 10

BB. 5

Came in with luck again at day light raised a school of whales under the ship lowered and got three. Our Tristan dog Jack went mad and jumped overboard as the boats were away Capt. shot him. Soater got our whales in by sunset and are on port tack under short sail.

Sunday June 15<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 18' E. 9° 03'

Came in with a strong breeze ship on Starboard tack boiling. Date the same.

Monday June 16<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 23' E. 8° 40'

Came in with a strong breeze ship on Port tack finished boiling in the morning watch will stow down tomorrow later. worse ship, is now blowing easy we are under short sail saw one finback.

Tuesday June 17<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 30' E. 8° 30'

Stowed. Came in with light breeze on Port tack after down breakfast stowed down and made all sail. Soater 1001 part. are on Starboard tack took in the light gallows sail saw one finback.

Sperm

Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 30' E. 8° 35'

Came in with a light breeze made all sail on Starboard tack middle part kept off N.W. by W. and run till sunset then came to on port tack are now by the wind all sail set.

Thursday June 19<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 40' E. 8° 08'

Came in good weather ship on port tack raised two white waters but made them out finback as there are a lot sound. Soater. a strong breeze took in the light sails

Friday June 20<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 28' E. 8° 54'

Came in with strong breeze ship on Starboard tack under short sail. saw nothing but finbacks.

Saturday June 21<sup>st</sup> S. 16° 14' E.

Came in calm not got steerageway saw some porpoises. Soater. braced round the yards are now on Starboard tack still calm

## New Bedford Whales A. G. Gallett Captain

Sunday June 22<sup>d</sup> 1879      Latitude <sup>South</sup> & Longitude <sup>East</sup>  
 Came in with nice breeze Ship full and by oil  
 Starboard tack under all sail. Middle part saw a  
 large white water off weather bow but did not make it  
 out. Later light breeze on same tack S. 16° 26' E. 9° 57'

Monday June 23<sup>d</sup> S. 17° 00' E. 10° 17'  
 Came in with strong breeze Ship on port tack under short  
 sail. caught three Porpoises this afternoon. Later part  
 a strong breeze on same tack under short sail.

Tuesday June 24<sup>th</sup> S. 17° 18' E. 8° 30'  
 Came in with strong breeze Ship on port tack under  
 short sail. All hands doing nothing. Later the same.



Wednesday June 25<sup>th</sup> S. E.  
 Came in with strong breeze Ship on  
 port tack raised a school of whales  
 lowered and got five LB. two WB. two  
 LB. one BB. struck one got stove and  
 lost him got them alongside at  
 sunset will cut in tomorrow.

Thursday June 26<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 50' E. 7° 01'  
 Commenced cutting at daylight  
 got through before noon after dinner  
 started the works are now boiling  
 on Starboard tack.

Friday June 27<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 42' E. 7° 17'  
 Came in capital weather Ship on starboard  
 tack all sail set.

Saturday June 28<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 30' E. 8° 00'  
 Came in with light wind are now on Starboard tack  
 finished boiling last night to day broke out Fore & Main  
 hold. Later the same all sail set.

Sunday June 29<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 20' E. 8° 15'  
 Came in lovely weather Ship on Starboard tack saw  
 nothing but fin backs. Later more ship is now lovely  
 all sail set.

Monday June 30<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 30' E. 8° 45'  
 Started to commence sliming down this morning and stove  
 1743 55 bbls. got through early this afternoon. saw some  
 whale fin backs that's all. Later Ship on Starboard  
 tack under all sail

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Tuesday July 1<sup>st</sup> 1879 <sup>Latitude & Longitude</sup>  
 Came in with a strong breeze Ship on Port tack,  
 this forenoon repaired the cutting blocks and in  
 the afternoon began to strap the blocks aloft.  
 Rose new cutting pads. So late blows hard ship  
 under lower topsails. nothing seen today

Wednesday July 2<sup>d</sup> <sup>S. 16° 30' E. 9° 14'</sup>  
 Came in with strong breeze Ship on Port tack  
 have been strapping blocks. So late the same under lower  
 topsails.

Thursday July 3<sup>d</sup> <sup>S. 16° 54' E. 8° 07'</sup>  
 Came in with light breeze made all sail on Starboard  
 tack. have been employed strapping blocks saw one  
 school of Blackfish and one Humpback. So late. Calm

Friday July 4<sup>th</sup> <sup>S. 16° 35' E. 7° 25'</sup>  
 To day is the glorious birthday of American  
 Independence. and we are on Starboard tack under  
 all sail, have been employed strapping blocks saw  
 some Humpbacks. So late strong breeze took in all the  
 light sails. Capt. gave us a trial of fresh pork in our  
 castle

Saturday July 5<sup>th</sup> <sup>S. 16° 15' E. 9° 50'</sup>  
 Came in with a light breeze Ship on Starboard tack  
 have been strapping blocks. So late strong breeze on  
 same tack under short sail nothing seen to day.



Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup> <sup>S. 16° 20' E. 9° 50'</sup>  
 Came in another lucky day raised a  
 school of whales at breakfast time lowered  
 and got five and picked up a dead whale  
 which goes to the ship got them along side  
 and cut three in before night are now  
 on Starboard tack under short sail.

Monday July 7<sup>th</sup>  
 We are eleven months out to day  
 with 1200 barrels in the hold and  
 six whale (stewings). It of course  
 blows like (thunder) we eat in the  
 three whales got through early. So late  
 part are now home to on port tack under  
 lower top sails. blowing heavy.

New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett Captain

Tuesday July 8th 1879 <sup>South. East.</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
Came in with strong breeze Ship on Port tack boiling.  
Middle part wore ship. are now under short sail.  
Have seen two whale backs during the day.

Wednesday July 9th S. 15° 50' E. 9° 10'  
Came in with strong breeze Ship on Starboard tack.  
finished boiling in the morning.戴特 part. Wore ship  
are now under short sail. Nothing but seen.

Thursday July 10th S. 15° 54' 00" E. 9° 43'  
Came in with strong breeze Ship full sail by on Port tack  
Stowed commenced stowing down in the morning and got through  
down in the afternoon & after part. the same down weather  
2701 on same tack under short sail.  
gallous  
Sperm

Friday July 11th S. 16° 00' E. 9° 43'  
Came in blowing wildly. Ship on Starboard tack, have  
been at work strapping blocks. Later, still it bloweth.

Saturday July 12th S. E.  
Came in calm are on Starboard tack all sail set.  
have been breaking out one after cold and strapping  
blocks. Later, calm ship on same tack.

Sunday July 13th S. 16° 08' E. 10° 48'  
Came in calm ship on port tack. middle part, braced  
round the yards. are now on Starboard tack calm

Monday July 14th S. 16° 25' E. 10° 45'  
Came in with gentle breeze but it did not last long,  
have been at works today strapping boat tackle blocks and  
other little jobs, are now on port tack.

Tuesday July 15th S. 16° 31' E. 9° 34'  
So the wind increaseth. have been at work at ships  
duty. saw one whale back during the day.戴特 part  
it bloweth strongly; are now on Starboard tack under  
short sail

Wednesday July 16th S. 16° 34' E. 9° 34'  
Came in with strong breeze after breakfast left off  
tack run till noon then came to on Starboard  
tack.戴特 wore ship are now under short sail  
nothing doing to day.

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger

Thursday July 17th 1879 <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>East</sup> Longitude  
Came in with a strong breeze Ship by the wind  
on her' tack. Captain part wore round and took in  
sail blowing briskly.  $S. 16^{\circ} 50' E. 6^{\circ} 55'$

Friday July 18th  $S. 16^{\circ} 12' E. 9^{\circ} 40'$   
Came in with a strong breeze Ship on Port tack under  
short sail. after a whilst kept off C. N. C. have been  
cleaning Waist and Bow Boats. Later still, blowing  
steering the same under a short sail

Saturday July 19th  $S. 13^{\circ} 12' E. 8^{\circ} 20'$   
Came in moderate blowing C. N. C. made all sail  
Later part steering E. S. E. with light breeze, the  
third went out his new boat sail.

Sunday July 20th  $S. 13^{\circ} 50' E. 11^{\circ} 30'$   
Raised Came in with light breeze steering E. S. E. at two  
land. raised land the East of Africa we run into a kind  
of small bay intending to anchor but found no bottom  
at 60 fathoms so run out again are now heading  
off shore all sail set.

Monday July 21st  $S. E.$   
Came in with light breeze stood in for land but saw  
no settlement after following it till three in the  
afternoon. Capt. decided to go to Cabinda. so are now  
steering N.W. half W. with the wind on port quarter  
everything set.

Tuesday July 22d  $S. E.$   
Came in with light breeze have all sail set  
steering N.W. half W. later part moderate. nothing doing  
but built a new floor to the rice berck.

Wednesday July 23d  $S. 10^{\circ} 45' E.$   
Came in with light breeze steering N.N. E. lowered for  
a sea turtle but did not get him. Crew employed  
scrapping the fore chains. Later the same weather

Thursday July 24th  $S. 9^{\circ} 55' E. 10^{\circ} 35'$   
Came in with light breeze. Middle part  
sunny but dead calm. scraped chains and  
coaltared them saw nothing to day

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New Bedford. Thomas A. Kallett Captain

Friday July 25th 1879 <sup>South. Latitudo & Longitude</sup>  
 Came in with light  $9^{\circ} 12' S$   $11^{\circ} 04' E$   
 DR 40 Breeze raised whale at day light lowered  
 and the mate got one it was calm when  
 he struck we cut him in and will boil to-morrow  
 Later. Steaming N.E. all sail set.

Saturday July 26th. S.  $8^{\circ} 30' S$   $11^{\circ} 20'$   
 Came in with light breeze and hot as the sunne's hereafter;  
 steering N.E. by E. started the works this morning. saw  
 some Porpoises and that is all.

Sunday July 27th <sup>of</sup> S.  $7^{\circ} 40' S$   $11^{\circ} 38'$   
 Came in with light breeze steering N.E. by E. finished  
 boiling this morning at three. after dinner got up the cable  
 and bent it on. Later the same.

Monday July 28th S.  $6^{\circ} 45' S$   $10^{\circ} 12'$   
 Raised. Came in with breeze steering S.W.C. stowed down our  
 Quad. fare of oil, raised land at ten, at sunset came to  
 Stowed Anchor in eleven fathoms of water. one ship in  
 down sight at anchor. clewed up all sail. Stowed 1387  
 40 bbls. gallons.

Tuesday July 29th  
 Got under weigh this morning at daylight run down  
 till we came to the bark which proved to be the *Draco*  
 Capt. Read. anchored close to her, to-morrow we shall  
 both get underway and go to Cabinda. had a fine  
 game in the evening. Frank Faber and Wheldring came  
 over here.

Wednesday July 30th  
 Weighed anchor and we sailed down toward the  
 mouth of the Congo river. scraped chains allday  
 anchored again at half past three. gamed all night.

Thursday July 31st  
 We did not try to cross the river it being so  
 calm, painted the blocks to day. Soater first  
 gamed the *Draco*, first and second made  
 on board.

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Friday August 1<sup>st</sup> 1879, Latitude & Longitude  
Came in calm at noon got a little  
breeze got underway river a little while then anchored  
again painted some scales gannering the Drago

Saturday August 2<sup>nd</sup>

At ten o'clock weighed anchor with a fine breeze  
and crossed the Congo came to an anchor at sunset  
in a calm in hopes to get in to morrow, have painted  
some to day

Sunday August 3<sup>rd</sup>

Got underway at four with good breeze arrived at Cabinda  
at nine in four fathoms of water. The Starboard  
watch went on shore and I got sick off of it.

Monday August 4<sup>th</sup>

Starboard watch went ashore. The other watch washed  
Ship outside. I am on the sick list.

Tuesday August 5<sup>th</sup>

Starboard watch ashore, painting some the Drago  
sailed at noon. Then had a fight ashore Bob got cut  
over the eye, he was at the bottom of it all, I am still  
on the sick list.

Wednesday August 6<sup>th</sup>

Took in Potatoes and wood. Port watch on shore  
Capt paid four £ for Bobs scrape and he got off  
easy he cut one man badly. The Wanderer came in  
and anchored. I am still on the sick list.

Thursday August 7<sup>th</sup>

One year from to day. Starboard watch on  
shore, took in wood. I am still on the sick list

Friday August 8<sup>th</sup>

Clear and warm. Reported for duty this morning  
and was glad to be well once more. I never suffered so  
and never want to again. Took in wood one watch ashore

Saturday August 9<sup>th</sup>

Finished trading and are all ready for sea will  
sail to morrow.

Sunday August 10<sup>th</sup>

Sailed this morning about two hours after the Wanderer  
sailed came up with her at 11<sup>th</sup> and gannered all day.  
are now bound for the rock. (St. Helena)

New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett Captain

Monday August 11<sup>th</sup> 1879. Latitude  $5^{\circ} 28' E.$  9° 05' East  
Came in with light breeze. we close hauled on port  
tack. Wore ship in sight astern. Later part moderate  
breeze heading the same. 5° 22'

Tuesday August 12<sup>th</sup> S.  $5^{\circ} 28' E.$  9° 05'  
Came in with light breeze. Ship on port tack. Later part  
wore ship all sail set. coal tarred iron work.

Wednesday August 13<sup>th</sup> S.  $5^{\circ} 39' E.$  8° 45'  
Came in with light breeze. Ship on port tack at ten  
wore ship. Later wore back again are now by the  
wind all sail set. tarred the iron work on cutting stage.

Thursday August 14<sup>th</sup> S.  $5^{\circ} 59' E.$  9° 05'  
Came in with a light breeze, by the wind on the Starboard  
tack. cleaned and painted the Bow-Boat later a moderate  
breeze heading the same.

Friday August 15<sup>th</sup> S.  $6^{\circ} 25' E.$  10° 05'  
Came in breezing gently. Ship on Starboard tack  
were employed at ship's duty. Later a calm. are on same  
tack saw nothing from west head

Saturday August 16<sup>th</sup> S.  $6^{\circ} 50' E.$  10° 25'  
Still breezing gently on Starboard tack, middle  
part calm. Later wore ship with light breeze, made  
spun yarn.

Sunday August 17<sup>th</sup> S.  $7^{\circ} 09'$   
Came in a day of calm rest. (rather too calm)  
Ship on Port tack. saw some Porpoises that's all.

Monday August 18<sup>th</sup> S.  $7^{\circ} 35' E.$  9° 18'  
Came with good breeze. Ship on port tack, we are  
not doing much. I am feeling bad with sore throat and  
at cold.

Tuesday August 19<sup>th</sup> S.  $8^{\circ} 02' E.$  8° 50'  
Came in pleasant. Ship on Port tack. made spun  
yarn all day, after a moderate breeze saw some  
Porpoises that's all.

Wednesday August 20<sup>th</sup> S.  $8^{\circ} 00' E.$  7° 55'  
Came in with moderate breeze. Ship on Port tack.  
with all sail set. saw some Fin Backs.  
I am on the sick list again

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Thursday August 21<sup>st</sup> 1879 S<sup>outh</sup> <sup>East</sup> ~~Latitude~~ ~~Longitude~~  
 Came in with fine breezy Ship on Port tack our side all  
 sail nothing but bonfish seen to day. I am still off  
 duty sick. 8° 10' 7° 14'

Friday August 22<sup>nd</sup> S. 8° 30' E. 6° 32'

Came in with pretty good breeze Ship on Port tack  
 latter part all sail set heading to Westward. made spun  
 yarn

Saturday August 23<sup>rd</sup> S. 8° 55' E. 5° 30'

Came in with a smashing breeze Ship on Starboard tack  
 after breakfast more ship. latter part moderate breeze  
 all sail set

Sunday August 24<sup>th</sup> S. 9° 10' E. 4° 55'

Came in with moderate breeze Ship on Starboard tack  
 latter the same, a little more wind. struck a Porpoise  
 but the iron broke

Monday August 25<sup>th</sup> S. 10° 05' E. 3° 58'

Came in with smart breeze Ship on Port tack, raised a  
 large whale water off Weather Beam did not make it out  
 latter part on same tack, took in light sails.

Tuesday August 26<sup>th</sup> S. 10° 40' E. 3° 00'

Came in with strong breeze and squally. are on Port tack  
 all sail set. tore the cringle out of the fore and main top sail  
 ears. latter part the wind goes down some.

Wednesday Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> S. 11° 52' E. 1° 45'

Came in with strong breeze Ship on Port tack. Steaming  
 S.W. by E. latter moderate breeze heading the same with  
 all sail set nothing seen to day.

Thursday August 28<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 55' E. 0° 44'

Came in with strong breeze steering S.W. by W. latter part  
 moderate.

Friday August 29<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 45' West. 25'

Came in with fine breeze Ship close hauled on port tack  
 have done a little painting to day.

Saturday August 30<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 40' W. 1° 42'

Came in with strong breeze steering W.S.W. took a boat off the  
 house and fitted her up to use in port as after part steering  
 W. by S. all sail set.

Sunday August 31<sup>st</sup> S. 15° 30' W. 4° 30'

Came in fine steering W half S. latter steering West.  
 expect to see land in the middle watch.

So ends August

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New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett Captain

Monday September 1<sup>st</sup> 1879 Anchored.

Raised anchor at 12 o'clock last night & at 6 AM we were in the open sea all night & on the course took in our gaff mainsail and jib. This morning run into St. Helena and anchored at nine.

I had your letters Father and Mother's postcard and one of Lydia and the baby taken together

Tuesday Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>

Broke out and began to set up shrouds.

Wednesday Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>

Set up shrouds, & three masted schooner came in and anchored.

Thursday Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>

Set up shrouds a large Italian ship came to anchor within our length of us. some of the Gay Heads crew are aboard.

Friday Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>

Set up shrouds and took in water.

Saturday Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>

Set up shrouds.

Sunday Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>

Went ashore for a skin with our watch a small steamer arrived I received a letter from Lydia and some papers.

Monday Sept 8<sup>th</sup>

Set up shrouds, Cooper was so drunk all day he stayed in his bunk.

Tuesday Sept 9<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather finished cooping.

Wednesday Sept 10<sup>th</sup>

Port watch had liberty we did no work.

Thursday Sept 11<sup>th</sup>

Bark Chas. W. Morgan came to an anchor and the Wanderer and Gay Head laid off and our starboard watch had liberty and Wallace, Gardner, and I went up to see Frank W. Clark who is one of the Gay Head crew sick at the Hospital.

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Friday September 12th 1879

Port watch on liberty. A brig called the Queen of the Fleet wanted to sail her crew refused to leave so the Morgans crew hove up for her, as soon as her boat left, they mutinied they let go the anchor but she was so far she went out they cut the topsail halyards and two or three of the men got their heads broke the next morning she was seen from shore under short sail.

Saturday Sept. 13th

Starboard watch had liberty the Scottie Beard got in

Sunday Sept. 14th

Got a letter from home.

Monday Sept. 15th

Received my box from the Scottie Beard and good news from all. this is my last day in the forecastle for the present, as I shall go aft to act as cabin boy. Willie will go home in the Scottie

Tuesday Sept. 16th.

Doing nothing

Wednesday Sept. 17th

Weighed anchor and stood out had a calm and at sunset the Captain went on shore again are now off and on on Starboard tack.

Thursday Sept. 18th

Came in with strong breeze are off and on latter part the Second mate came off and the mate went ashore.

Friday Sept. 19th

Came in with a strong breeze are yet off and on latter part the same are now by the wind on the Starboard tack under lower topsails.

Saturday Sept. 20th

Came in with strong breeze sent a boat ashore and at three o'clock Capt. Calott came off are now bound away with fore and main top sails out heading to the Southward. Capt. has a boy named Harry Karpes with him.

New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett Captain

Sunday Sept. 21st 1879. Latitude & Longitude  
Came in breeze and squally  
at ten were with raised land at two in the afternoon  
Latter part strong breeze we on Starboard tack under  
short sail

Monday Sept. 22d

Came in with strong wind. we are working up  
towards the Island effect to get in to morrow  
Sater are under topsails on port tack heading off shore

Tuesday Sept. 23d

Came in with strong breeze after breakfast Capt.  
went on shore, he took Grafton Devine a sailor;  
sick and Johnnie, with him. Bent a new foresail  
Sater moderate off and on.

Wednesday Sept. 24th

Came in with strong breeze, after dinner sent  
a boat ashore, at six are standing in but see  
no boat. are under short sail.

Thursday Sept. 25th

Came in with a light breeze laying off and on  
after dinner came to an anchor. Captain came  
aboard and he and Mr. Walker had some words

Friday Sept. 26th

Stood again to lay off and on till Monday  
Sater are now on Starboard tack thick and hairy

Saturday Sept. 27th

Came in calm heading off shore on Starboard tack  
middle part breeze up one sail in sight, Sater  
land in sight off Weather quarter.

Sunday Sept. 28th

Stood in shore at four were close in with fine  
breeze tacked and stood off. at seven hauled up the  
courses.

Monday Sept. 29th

Came in with fine breeze. At ten in forenoon Capt.  
came aboard. saw Bark Gay Head going out.  
Sater are on port tack all sail set.

Tuesday Sept. 30th

Came in squally steering S. W. by W. lost sight  
of the land at noon saw a whale at night but  
could not make him out it was so late.

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Remarks on board of Ship Niger of  
Wednesday October 1<sup>st</sup> 1879, Latitude 20° 10' S.  
S. W. by N. Wind light breeze steering N. S. W. all sail  
crew employed repairing main topsail did not  
finish it. Later the same nothing seen. 18° 30' 7'

Thursday Oct. 2<sup>d</sup> S. 19° 30' W. 10°  
Came in with light wind steering W. S. W. finished  
the upper main top sail and also the lower one.  
Scatter. light breeze steering the same.

Friday October 3<sup>d</sup>. S. 20° 35' W. 11°  
Came in with light breeze steering S. W. by N. so dark  
we repaired the upper and lower fore topsail and  
bent them before night. Scatter part steering the  
same bound to Tristan de Alchunah.

Saturday October 4<sup>th</sup> S. 21° 20'  
Came in with light breeze steering S. W. by N. broke  
out beef that is all we did to day. Scatter, the same

Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup> S. 21° 41'  
Came in superb weather just wind enough to make  
it pleasant, steering S. W. by N. saw a number of  
Finbacks. Later fine breeze all sail set.

Monday October 6<sup>th</sup> S. 22° 35'  
Came in calm sent in the flying and foretop  
mast staysail to be repaired. Middle part it  
blew up some with rain took in all light sail  
Scatter, steering S. W. by West strong breeze.

Tuesday October 7<sup>th</sup> S. 24° 10' W 14°  
Came in blowing brisk raised a large white water  
which proved to be a Finback, have been repairing  
main spinnaker and fore topmast staysail. Scatter  
strong breeze steering S. W. by N.

Wednesday October 8<sup>th</sup> S. 26° 20' W 15°  
Came in with good breeze ship steering S. W. by N.  
Broke out a new jib and main topmast staysail  
bent them, and repaired the old jib and cut up the  
staysail. Scatter steering the same wind aft. all  
sail set, saw some Finbacks.

New Bedford. S. 16° 20' as. C. J. Hallett, Captain

Thursday October 9th 1879. Latitude <sup>South</sup> 4° 40' Longitude <sup>West</sup> 160° 20'  
Came in fine, steering S.W. by N., repaired the old  
Foresail today. Scatter part, light breeze steering the same  
all sail set. 28° 20' 16° 20'

Friday October 10th. S. 29° 40'

Last night the wind hauled round to the Northward  
and Westward. lost the trade winds steering S.S.W.

Bent the fore stunsail and broke out the slop chest,  
scatter steering S.W. everything set, saw some Humpbacks

Saturday October 11th

Came in blowing hard steering S.S.W. at noon took in all  
but lower main top sail and Foresail running before  
Turtle. N.E. gale raining hard at sunset it moderated so  
we set the upper top sail's jib & Mainsail it is now  
pleasant. saw a Turturuga (sea turtle).

Sunday October 12th S. 33° 50' W. 15° 45'

Came in equally, ship under lower top sails. it is moderating  
Ship scatter part have everything set steering S.E. saw three  
Merchantmen steering East.

Monday October 13th S. 35° 50' W. 13° 03'

Came in blowing hard with frequent squalls steering  
S.E. repaired the Mainsail did not finish as it rained  
Sail. one sail in sight to day scatter part. took in all sail  
but lower top sail steering S.E. half E.

Tuesday October 14th

Rained came in blowing a smacker under lower topsails  
landed passed the Island of Rustan. at daylight. could not  
land. it was so rugged. so we run sound to seaward  
and the Mate and second Mate went fishing and  
got a good lot. are now off and on waiting for it  
to moderate so Capt. can get ashore.

Wednesday October 15th

Came in with a strong breeze and squally, at noon  
a large boat came from shore with a few potatoes  
batter blows a gale took this boat in from the  
end of Fore and Main yards on deck as it is not  
safe to go ashore or tow it. are now by the wind  
and Starboard tack under lower topsails. living  
on hopes

Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Thursday October 16<sup>th</sup> 1879. Latitude  $37^{\circ} 30' S.$  Longitude  $13^{\circ} 20' W.$   
Wind S. E. Westerly blowing a gale land off  
Weather beam one mile off middle part it came up  
so we made sail to fetch it sent shore boat in at  
five are now heading off shore on Starboard tack  
under all sail till go in tomorrow to trade

Friday October 17<sup>th</sup>

Came in with a light breeze all sail set after breakfast  
sent one boat ashore for Potatoes and one fishing  
got through trading just in time as it breezed up  
Have nothing but lower topsails out trying to  
weather Gravassable Island. it is now ten miles  
to leeward, it now rains hard quite

Saturday October 18<sup>th</sup>  $37^{\circ} 50' S.$   $13^{\circ} 20' W.$

Came in with strong breeze ship on Starboard  
tack. worked on the mainsail and bent it  
latter. wore ship heading to the Northward  
under short sail

Sunday October 19<sup>th</sup>  $37^{\circ} 04' S.$   $13^{\circ} 50' W.$

Land in sight at daylight off Lee Quarter, it is  
almost calm on Starboard tack middle part a little  
air from aft steering N.W. latter moderate breeze  
with a fine rain from the Southward have now all sail  
set steering the same nothing seen to day

Monday October 20<sup>th</sup>  $36^{\circ} 45' S.$   $16^{\circ} 05' W.$

Came in with a good breeze steering N.N.W. to day  
finished the mainsail and bent it, broke out water  
in the afternoon After breakfast passed a large  
Austrian Ship steering to the Southward. latter  
a good breeze steering N.W. all sail set.

Tuesday October 21<sup>st</sup>  $35^{\circ} 45' S.$   $19^{\circ} 26' W.$

Came in fine breeze steering N.W. half N. have been  
repairing a share job. latter steering N.W. all sail set

Wednesday October 22<sup>d</sup>  $35^{\circ} 34' S.$   $21^{\circ} 02' W.$

Came in with light breeze steering N.N.W. have been  
repairing fore topsail got it down and bent it.  
latter part, moderate breeze steering N.W. by west  
all sail set.

New Bedford. Thomas A. Hallett Captain

Thursday October 23<sup>d</sup> 1879 <sup>South</sup> <sup>W. 25°</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
Came in with light breeze steering N. W. by W.  $35^{\circ} 25'$   $22^{\circ} 09'$   
Have been getting a large Greener's gun ready to use  
in starboard boat, later are by the wind on starboard  
tack all sail set.

Friday October 24<sup>th</sup> 1879 S.

Came in blowing hard sun W. N. W. till noon then hove too  
on starboard tack blowing a gale at. Two more ship  
and loose winged the main top sail and hauled out  
the foot of main Spence.

Saturday October 25<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 15'$  <sup>W. 24^{\circ} 15'</sup>

At daylight gale broke made sail on port tack, after  
supper two ship are by the wind all sail set. heading N. E. W.;  
saw plenty of fulbacks.

Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 40'$  <sup>W. 24^{\circ} 45'</sup>

Came in blowing hard ship on starboard tack had some  
and one heavy thunder squall, but did not last long  
made sail again and were ship have six topsails set  
saw plenty of firebacks.

Monday October 27<sup>th</sup> S.  $34^{\circ} 30'$  <sup>W. 25^{\circ} 08'</sup>

Came in with strong wind nothing set but lower top  
sails & courses after dinner were ship broke out meat and  
bread, are now on starboard tack under short sail

Tuesday October 28<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 33'$  <sup>W. 25^{\circ} 10'</sup>

Came in blowing hard, are on port tack under topsails  
middle part equally took in all but fore and main  
lower topsails

Wednesday October 29<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 30'$  <sup>W. 25^{\circ} 32'</sup>

Came in blowing hard nothing set but top sails on  
port tack, took out water. Scatter, almost calm set  
all sail

Thursday October 30<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 40'$  <sup>W. 26^{\circ} 40'</sup>

Came in with West wind all sail set steering N. S. W.  
began to blow and took in all but lower top sails  
raining all the time Scatter are by the wind  
on starboard tack.

Friday October 31<sup>st</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 28'$  <sup>W. 27^{\circ} 56'</sup>

Last night the wind hauled to the Eastward for the  
three. kept off N. W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  W. all sail set and light  
squalls of rain. Plenty of firebacks seen to day  
scatter part, took in sail at sunset and came  
to an port tack.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Saturday November 1<sup>st</sup> S.  $34^{\circ} 40' W.$   $29^{\circ}$   
 Came in with strong breeze. left  
 off N.W. under to wind middle part took in  
 but fore and main lower topsails at four  
 it blew a gale so we hoisted the main top  
 and furl'd the fore. and hove too on port tack

Sunday Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> S.  $34^{\circ} 40' W.$   $29^{\circ}$   
 At day light the gale brok so we set the fore &  
 main lower topsails on port tack. Sallets are in  
 on starboard tack. nothing seen but Finbacks.

Monday Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> S.  $34^{\circ} 52' W.$   $29^{\circ}$   
 Came in good weather made all sail on port tack  
 sent down the lower main top sail repaired it and  
 it again & the Calm. took in all sail but storm

Tuesday November 4<sup>th</sup>  
 Came in with brisk wind steering S.W. under low  
 topsails after breakfast it began to rain and blow so we  
 came to on port tack under single main top sail blow  
 great gales.

Wednesday November 5<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 00' W.$   $30^{\circ}$   
 Moderate in the night and hauled to the  
 Westward. have been on port tack all day. Sallets  
 were ship under two topsails now not quite so mu  
 rous but a heavy sea

Thursday November 6<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 10' W.$   $28^{\circ}$   
 Came in with fine breeze mad all sail and so  
 fast steered so all day. saw one Finback and got a  
 Porpoise. latter moderate gale took in sail and came to  
 on port tack

Friday November 7<sup>th</sup> S.  $36^{\circ} 20' W.$   $25^{\circ}$   
 Came in with light breeze steering South after  
 noon braced round the yards steered c N.E. by N.  
 took out water and grub. latter light breeze &  
 the same under short sail.

Saturday November 8<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 19' W.$   $25^{\circ}$   
 Came in fine made all sail steering c N.E. by  
 middle part wind hauled so we steered W.N.W.  
 latter part took in all the light sails steer  
 the same. saw nothing and did nothing  
 through the day.

New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett Captain  
Sunday - November 9th 1879 Latitude & Longitude  
South West

Came in blowing increasing steering N by N middle part  
braced round the yards. Satter bore to on port tack under  
lower main topsail.

Monday November 10th

Came in blowing hard. we laying on Port tack. Middle  
part set the fore topsail & foresail and kept N.W. Scatter  
part braced round steering N.W.

Tuesday November 11th S. 35° 00' W 29° 40'

Came in with light breeze made all sail on port tack  
Middle part wore ship. We tried the Greener gun the first  
time they fired the iron did not go far so they put in  
more powder. The Mate took hold of the butt, this time  
and fired it kicked and parted the logarhead struck  
him in the breast injuring him painfully if not  
dangerously so they helped him to his berth. Satter  
spoke by the wind all sail set.

Wednesday Nov. 12th S. 35° 50' W. 28° 20'

Came in with light breeze steering S.E. saw plenty  
of Hinbacks and Grampus. Scatter part calm are  
on Port tack all sail set. The Mate is getting along  
first rate. Capt. Gallett began to teach me Navigation

Thursday November 13th S. 36° 30' W. 28° 39'

last night the wind breezed up so today we are by  
the wind on Starboard tack Middle part wore ship  
and steered North. Satter came to on Port tack under  
short sail.

Friday November 14th S. 35° 50' W. 28° 25'

Came in mild made all sail on Starboard tack  
Middle part calm braced round the yards. Satter  
took in all sail on same tack.

Saturday November 15th S. 37° 15' W. 27° 30'

Came in blowing fresh ship on Port tack under top  
sails, raining a little, Satter part wore ship took in  
all but lower topsails nothing seen blowing strong

Sunday November 16th S. 35° 48' W. 26° 40'

Came in blowing brisk kept off E. by N. and  
steered so till four then came to on Starboard tack  
under topsails. nothing seen to day

## Remarks on board Wh. Niger of

Monday November 17th 1879 Latitude & Longitude  
South West  
Came in with strong breeze Ship on Starboard tack  
all sail set, raised a bark which proved to be the old  
Louisa. Louisa, she has 4000 bbl. all told. gamed all day  
Latter part blowing strong on same tack her boat  
first went on board.  $35^{\circ} 23'$   $25^{\circ} 01'$

Tuesday November 18th S.  $35^{\circ} 25'$  W.  $24^{\circ} 26'$   
Came in with a light breeze Ship on Port tack.  
Latter part, calm all sail set. Louisa in sight to leeward

Wednesday Nov. 19th S.  $35^{\circ} 43'$  W.  $24^{\circ} 31'$   
Came in calm Ship on Port tack, it buzed up early  
so we wore ship. Latter part light breeze took in the  
light sails. Louisa in sight to Windward.

Thursday November 20th  
Came in with good breeze, tacking S.E. Louisa in  
sight tacking the same. Latter part came to on  
port tack and had a game, almost calm.

Friday November 21st S.  $36^{\circ} 20'$  W.  $23^{\circ} 41'$   
Came in with a light breeze made all sail on Port  
tack. It has been gaming Barks Wanderer and Louisa  
all day.

Saturday November 22d S.  $36^{\circ} 55'$  W.  $22^{\circ} 30'$   
Came in with a strong breeze Ship on Starboard tack  
after breakfast. Kept off the Wanderer and Louisa west to the  
Southward & Eastward. Latter part we all came to on  
port tack under short sail.

Sunday November 23d S.  $37^{\circ} 00'$  W.  $22^{\circ} 58'$   
Came in blowing fresh ship on Port tack Wanderer in  
sight to windward on the other tack. After breakfast we freshen  
lost sight of her at noon latter saw a merchant Brig star-  
ing off. it is now moderate breeze all sail set.

Monday November 24th S.  $36^{\circ} 56'$  W.  $22^{\circ} 30'$   
Came in blowing strong made all sail on Starboard  
tack after breakfast wore ship. Latter part took in sail  
nothing seen

Tuesday November 25th S.  $36^{\circ} 20'$  W.  $22^{\circ} 20'$   
Came in with pretty fair breeze. Made all sail on  
Starboard tack. at ten it began to blow and increase  
to a gale latter part are now on port tack under  
goose winged main. top sail blowing a stayer

New Bedford. Thomas A. Hallett Captain

Wednesday November 26<sup>th</sup> 1879 <sup>South West.</sup> Latitude 36° 10' Longitude 23° 00'  
This morning kind of crested down a little so we set all three lower topsails, Middle part wore ship made more sail. Satter, a calm.

Thursday November 27<sup>th</sup> S. W.

Came in calm all sail set on Starboard tack. Have been at work setting up fore and aft stays. One Merchant sail ship in sight during the day steering S.E.

Friday November 28<sup>th</sup>

Came in with strong breeze steering N by E. with heavy squalls nothing out but lower topsails and courses wore ship at noon and took in the mainsail. Satter part, by the wind, a little more moderate.

Saturday November 29<sup>th</sup> 36° 22' W. 24° 47'

Came in with the light breeze made all sail on Port tack wore ship at noon. brok out water and frigged a little in the rigging. Satter part moderate by the wind in order all day, nothing seen to day

Sunday November 30<sup>th</sup>

Came in thick with light breeze. Shoke the Bark Falcon  
Capt. H. Handy jammed all day. I saw Speanier  
Babb, he steer a boat in her. Satter part thick took in  
sail on port tack.

O! I am cook and Captain bold,  
And the mate of the Nancy Brigg.  
The Boatswain blight and the midship might,  
And the crew of the Captain's gig.

Remarks on board of ship *Vigil* of

Monday December 1<sup>st</sup> 1879. <sup>South. West.</sup> Latitude & longitude  
<sup>37° 07' 25° 09'</sup>

Sail. Came in with strong breeze ship on Port tack under lower main top sail in the afternoon saw a Merchantman bound round East, like I suppose. Scatter part on same tack three lower topsails set, one sail up to windward supposed to be the Falcon. we got no latitude at noon

Tuesday December 2<sup>nd</sup>  $36^{\circ} 40' N. 26^{\circ} 03'$

Sail. Came in with light breeze all sail set on port tack. one sail in sight off the weather quarter. Raised our first whale for the season off Heatter lowered and chased him all day but got him not. scatter part calm ship on Starboard tack all sail set.

Wednesday December 3<sup>rd</sup> S.  $36^{\circ} 52' 26^{\circ} 30'$

Sail. Came in with light breeze made all sail on port tack raised a whale at five and got fast to one at eight. got him alongside cut in and began to boil. are now garning the ship Eliza Adams, Howland, two months from home with 100 barrels of sperm all told. commenced to stand boats crew watches last night.

Thursday December 4<sup>th</sup> S.  $36^{\circ} 52' N. 26^{\circ} 16'$

Sail. Came in with light breeze, are on Starboard tack all sail set, Eliza Adams in sight scatter part, the New Bark, Alice Knowles Capt. Foster, boiling we are now on port tack boiling. under short sail

Friday December 5<sup>th</sup> S.  $36^{\circ} 29' N. 25^{\circ} 43'$

Came in (stoutly breezy) ship on Port tack under short sail Got through boiling at two. Scatter part it is blowing a small gale ship under lower main topsail nothing seen

Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup> S.  $36^{\circ} 56' N. 25^{\circ} 25'$

Came in with strong breeze ship on port tack. we scraped home. scatter part moderated so we set a whole top sail on her.

Sunday December 7<sup>th</sup>  $36^{\circ} 55' 25^{\circ} 00'$

Sail. Came in smooth enough to stow so we stowed down 74 bbls. we gamed the Bark Sarah B. Gale Capt. Stowed Sherman, later her boat has gone so we stowed 74 bbls. her down to lower main topsail. blowing hard with rain to season it. Stowed 2334 gallons

New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett, Captain

Monday December 8<sup>th</sup> 1879 <sup>South</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
S. 35° 10' N. 25° 30'

Came in with light breeze Ship on Starboard tack  
made all sail, it is thick. Scatter took in all sail.

Tuesday December 9<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 52' N. 26° 53'

Came in blowing hard, Ship on Port tack. one sail  
Sail in sight. S.R. Hale we suppose. Scatter took in all sail.

Wednesday December 10<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 40' 26° 20'

 Came in with a strong breeze Ship on port tack. after  
noon raised whaler. lowered in the B. got fast to one  
but his gun was wet so he could not bomb him he  
Sail went dead to windward so the iron drew. Scatter part  
took in sail on Starboard tack one sail in sight the  
Eliza Adams.

Thursday December 11<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 48' N. 26° 31'

Came in with good breeze made sail on port tack  
during the day took ship three times. Scatter part  
Sail calm took in sail on starboard tack one sail  
of weather beam, Eliza Adams, we suppose

Friday December 12<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 38' N. 26° 54'

Came in with strong wind and raining hard.  
Kept off to W. till nine then hove to under lower  
main topsail. Scatter part wore winged the main  
topsail.

Saturday December 13<sup>th</sup>

Still blowing fearfully. at four this morning we  
are on port tack we spied a sea which carried away  
lost the Waist boat the bow dabbt went and the afternoon  
Boat. held her we saved her wreck but lost most of her craft  
as her whole bows were gone. Scatter part it does not  
blow quite so hard. we hauled home the main topsail  
and set the whole main spencer, a terrible sea running

Sunday December 14<sup>th</sup> S. 35° 45' N. 25° 07'

Came in blowing hard & raining after breakfast it  
Sail lit up. raised a sail which proved to be the ship  
Eliza Adams. run off to her and gained fast.  
Gallett went thare. Scatter part clear but blowy  
we are on starboard tack. Went aboard the  
Eliza, when her mate went back.

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## Remarks on Board Ship Niger of

Monday December 15th 1879 <sup>South</sup> Latitude & <sup>West</sup> Longitude  
36° 23' 24° 38'

Wind blowing strong ship on Starboard tack.  
Have been at work fitting the waste boat in made  
a new one broke up wreck of old one. Middle part were ship San  
Santos, three sail in sight. it is now moderate

Tuesday December 16th S. —

Came in calm and cloudy all sail set three sails in  
name Eliza Adams and others names unknown.  
Latter part blowing hard and raining came to on  
port tack under lower main topsail.

Wednesday Dec. 17th S. 36° 35' N. 26° 17'

Came in blowing hard ship on Starboard tack  
Eliza Adams in sight. latter part broke out  
bread and water. latter are under short sail on  
Port tack.

Thursday December 18th S. 36° 48' N. 26° 24'

Came in thick and blowing hard are by the wind on  
port tack. latter a bark run down to us which prove  
to be the Sagoda Capt. Lewis. Capt. Gallott went  
there gammaing and stayed all night. are now on  
Starboard tack.

Friday Dec 19th S. 36° 53' N. 26° 20'

Came in good weather. Capt. Gallott came back  
and we lost sight of the Sagoda at two o'clock  
Latter part, blowing hard. are under fore and  
main top sails on Starboard tack.

Saturday Dec. 20th S. 36° 40' N. 26° 07'

Came in with a strong breeze ship on Starboard  
tack nothing out but fore and main topsails  
Latter part. Squally nothing in sight. killed a pig

Sunday Dec. 21st S. 36° 40' N. 26° 19'

Still blowing (Great guns) had the upper main  
topsail set for the first time for a week but soon  
took it in. latter part under short sail nothing  
seen to day

Monday Dec. 22d S. 37° 01' N. 26° 09'

Came in blowy and ended with a steady breeze  
Have been on port tack all day plenty of  
Finbacks in sight

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New Bedford. Thomas A. Collett, Captain  
Tuesday December 23<sup>rd</sup> 1879. Latitude  $37^{\circ} 40'$  South  
Longitude  $26^{\circ} 47'$  West.

Sail  
Came in with light wind got six topsails on her  
but took them in before noon. Sailed the Eliza  
Adams all day. Latter part blows hard and is  
thick air now under lower topsails. saw a whale  
at noon thought was a right whale but decided it  
was a humpback

Wednesday Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>  $37^{\circ} 50'$   $27^{\circ} 24'$   
same in blowing and raining, saw the Eliza  
Adams off S. E. quarter. Latter part a light  
breeze ship on port tack under short sail, nothing  
in sight.

Thursday Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 00'$   $26^{\circ} 57'$  <sup>Decd R.</sup>  
Came in with light breeze and rainy but pleasant.  
after ten, made all sail and steered S. E. by E.  
Latter part steering the same under short sail.  
A Merry Christmas, just the place to enjoy  
oneself. Capt. Collett taught me this Rule.

Rule to obtain Longitude by the Sun's declination  
Altitude.

When the upper limb is observed Add together  
the Latitude and Polar distance, from their sum  
subtract 54' minutes find the half sum of the  
difference and add to it 54' call this the  
remainder and work as usual.

Example.

Latitude	$36^{\circ} 52'$	Secant	09689
Polar dist.	$66^{\circ} - 36^{\circ}$	Cosecant	.03727
Sum	$103^{\circ} 25'$		9.79621
	<del>103 25</del> <del>54</del>		9.89761
Half sum	$51^{\circ} 17'$	Cosec	19.82798
	<del>51 17</del> <del>54</del>		9.91399
Remainder	$52^{\circ} 11'$	Sine.	$7^{\text{h}} 20^{\text{m}} 56''$
		Equation	13
			7-21-09

Chronometer Time
9h. 15m. 15sec.
Correction 8 - 16 - subtract
9 - 06 - 59
7 - 21 - 09
1 - 45 - 50
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26° — $27^{\text{h}} 27^{\text{m}}$
$2^{\text{h}} 27^{\text{m}}$ of ship

{ But if the lower limb is observed }  $2^{\text{h}} 27^{\text{m}}$  the  
add.  $22'$  to the sum of Latitude and }  $25^{\text{th}}$  day of  
Polar distance and subtract  $22'$  from the half sum }  $1879$   
and proceed as before. This should read, when  
the lower limb is observed subtract  $22'$  from  
the sum of Latitude & Pr. Distance and to  
the half sum add  $22'$  and work the same

1879

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
South West.

Friday December 26<sup>th</sup> 1879. Latitude & Longitude

S. 36° 55' W. 26° 41'

Came in with light breeze. made all sail and kept off Southward & Eastward have been employed at Ships duty. Latter part. calm. one sail in sight name unknown.

Saturday Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 20' W. 25° 13'

Came in with a nice breeze, the bark we saw last night was the Morning Star. have been gannying all day doing nothing. Latter part thick took in all sail on the Starboard tack.

Sunday Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 20' W. 24° 09'

Came in with a smashing breeze ship on Port tack and raining. after breakfast spoke the B. Gornold 43 months out with 2000 bbls all told. Capt Gallett went over there and stayed all day. Latter part fine weather took in sail on Starboard tack.

Monday Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 46' W. 23° 28'

Came in fine weather made all sail and kept off to N. N. E. B. Gornold in sight. Latter part moderate steering the same all sail set. to night we stand Sea watches.

Tuesday Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 40' W. 21° 00'

Came in fine all sail set through the day have been washing home got done quite late. Latter part. took in sail on port tack nothing seen to day

Wednesday Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> S. 37° 20' W. 19° 56'

Came in thick nasty weather made all sail kept off. I by E. it kept breezeing up took in light sail and came to on Starboard tack. Latter part a moderate breeze one sail in sight to windward a Merchantman steering off. we are on same tack carrying sail.

So ende 1879. it has been a lucky year for us if we can only do so well the next 16 months we will be pretty near home. I guess. but now Good night to 79.

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New Bedford Thomas J. Gallett Captain

Remarks on board of the  
Ship Tiger of  
New Bedford.

Thomas J. Gallett, Massachusetts  
Captain U. S. A.  
A. D. 1880

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

January 1<sup>st</sup> 1880South West  
Latitude & Longitude  
37° 00' 18° 06'

Came in with light breeze made all sail steering N.N.E. latter part, a strong breeze took in all but lower topsails steering S.E. by E. one Merchant man in sight steering the same.

Friday January 2<sup>nd</sup> S. 37° 10' W. 14° 27'

Came in with a strong breeze made all sail steering E.S.E. have been breaking out the Hoses hold for water. latter at six raised the Island of Tristan de Acunha, ahead took in all but lower topsails heading the same

Saturday January 3<sup>rd</sup> S. 36° 58' W 12° 12'

This morning was fine weather we stood in close and got a series of observations as follows Spongitus band 12° 16' - 12° 18' and 12° 19'; 12° 16' is correct, sail Capt. went ashore and got his potatoes. Two back off and on President, Capt. Chase, and Postel Norton. latter part all three Captains are here to supper, The President and we leave for good steering S.E. by E.

Sunday Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>

Came in with good breeze steering S.E. by E. President in sight. latter part gaining the President. thick and rainy. are by the wind on Starboard tack.

Monday January 5<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 15' W. 8° 11'

Came in with a strong breeze, made sail and steered S.E. by E. saw one sail and two or three Finbacks, latter part came to on Starboard tack under short sail.

Tuesday January 6<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 45' W. 5° 57'

Came in fine heading S.E. by E. made all sail. have been picking over Potatoes. latter part came to on Starboard tack under three lower topsails.

Wednesday Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 35' W. 4° 34'

Made all sail and steered S.E. by E. rove now down hauls for the head sails. latter part came to on Starboard tack under short sail.

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New Bedford (Thomas A. Ballott, Captain)  
Thursday January 8th 1880 <sup>Latitude</sup> ~~Latitude & Longitude~~ <sup>West</sup>

Came in with light breeze made all sail and kept off to the Westward. It is now raining. Latter part wind hauled to the Westward, we took in sail nothing seen Wallace went forward and Barber took his place

Saturday January 9th S.  $38^{\circ} 09'$

Came in fine kept off after dinner steered S.E. by E. Latter part took in light sail steering the same

Saturday Jan. 10th S.  $38^{\circ} 08'$  E.  $08^{\circ} 29'$

Came in with light breeze steering S.E. by E. after breakfast kept E.N.E. broke out meat. Latter part came laying on Starboard tack all sail set saw some grampus and finbacks. crossed the Veracidian last night.

Sunday Jan. 11th S.  $37^{\circ} 32'$  E.  $10^{\circ} 56'$

Came in light with brisk wind steering East. Middle part S.E. by S. latter, S.S.E. took in light sails blowing brisk.



Monday Jan. 12th S.  $38^{\circ} 16'$

Came in with light breeze steering S.E. by E. after breakfast raised, and lowered for whales. The mate got one. while we were cutting raised another. lowered the waist boat and she got him, cut him in before dark started the works at dark, six top sails set.

Tuesday Jan. 13th S.  $38^{\circ} 05'$  E.  $4^{\circ} 29'$

Smooth with gentle breeze commenced cutting after breakfast got through early. latter, on starboard tack boiling nothing seen.

Wednesday Jan. 14th S.  $38^{\circ} 24'$  E.  $4^{\circ} 32'$

Came in with light breeze made all sail on Starboard tack raised whales at one o'clock, lowered but did not get one they were going to windward like a streak of slashed lightning, the mate got close to one.

Thursday Jan. 15th S.  $38^{\circ} 45'$  E.  $4^{\circ} 34'$

Cloudy in with strong breeze ship on the Starboard tack boiling at day light raised a cow and calf one mile off sea bow. it was so rough to lower so we stood and looked at her. so she lashed her tail in delight. we have 33 cakes on deck, 165 bbls.



Remarks on voyage with the *Vigil* of  
South. East.

January 16<sup>th</sup> 1880 Friday

Latitude & Longitude  
 $38^{\circ} 47'$   $3^{\circ} 40'$

Came in blowing a gale refined, began to stow down. Stowed at daylight, ship on Starboard tack, stowed down 176 bbls of oil and we got through at three, raised a 176 bbls. whale at two but as everything was cluttered up we 5549 could not lower. Scatter part, a calm, are on port tack gallons under topsails.

Right.

Saturday Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> S.  $38^{\circ} 55.6'$

W.B. Came in with fine breeze ship on Port tack saw two whales going to windward like the last 46 and did not lower lowered at nine <sup>(at four)</sup> got none came aboard at 11 got dinner lowered again <sup>(at four)</sup> got one he came alongside late and it took till nine to get him in. six in sight during the day.

Sunday Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> S.  $38^{\circ} 39.6'$  E.  $3^{\circ} 50'$

Came in with strong breeze ship on Starboard tack, at two lowered for whales and the mate and second mate got one apiece got them along side at at four got one head off, at dark stopped cutting are now boiling.

Monday Jan 19<sup>th</sup> S.  $38^{\circ} 32.6'$  E.  $4^{\circ} 01'$

Commenced to cut at daylight got both in at one in the afternoon, snugged up and began to boil. Scatter part, moderate breeze ship on the Port tack.

Tuesday Jan 20<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 59.6'$  E.  $3^{\circ} 08.2'$

Came in with light breeze ship on port tack boiling six topsails set. After breakfast shore ship.

Scatter part on Starboard tack boiling, saw one whale back.

Wednesday Jan 21<sup>st</sup> S.  $39^{\circ} 0.6'$  E.  $3^{\circ} 10'$

Came in fair, but foggy steering S.S. W. Middle part raining so we got no sun, Scatter part done boiling and snugged up, nothing seen, ship heading N.W.

Thursday Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> S.  $38^{\circ} 32.6'$  E.  $3^{\circ} 17.2'$

Stowed Came in blowing a half grown gale, stowed down 145 bbls of oil and got through at five 145 bbls. are now by the wind on Starboard tack. 4568 three topsails and fore sail set.

gallons

Right

View Kid. Isd. (Thomas A. F. Gallett, Captain.

Friday January 23<sup>rd</sup> 1880      South      East  
Latitude      Longitude

38° 54' 3° 40 $\frac{1}{4}$

Sail Fine weather and light wind made all sail on  
Starboard tack. saw a  $\frac{1}{2}$  f. beech but did not  
make it out. we were scraping bone all day.  
Saw a merchant Bark bound to the Eastward  
also a Whales which looked as if she was boiling  
we run away. latter part, the same all sail set

Saturday Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> S. 40° 00' E. 2° 23 $\frac{1}{4}$   
Came in fine all sail set, after breakfast steered S.W.  
Latter part wind increased so we are laying to under  
three top sails, on Starboard tack, plenty of fish in sight.

Sunday Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> S. — E. —  
Came in with light breeze, thick and raining, made all  
sail on port tack, run some water in the fore hold  
this forenoon. latter part on same tack nothing seen

Monday January 26<sup>th</sup>  
Came in blowing a gale so we hove her to on Starboard  
tack under lower main topsail. latter part blows a  
gale, are on port tack nothing seen.

Tuesday Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> S. 39° 55' E. 2° 03 $\frac{1}{4}$   
Came in thick and very cold, with smart breeze  
made all sail steering S.E. day, broke out water and  
molasses, latter part came to on Starboard tack under  
short sail.

Wednesday Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> S. 40° 28' E. 3° 30 $\frac{1}{2}$   
Came in with strong breeze steering S.E. all day  
One sail in sight. during the day, latter part came to  
on port tack under short sail

Thursday January 29<sup>th</sup> S. 39° 50' E. 4° 35'  
Came in fine, steered S.E. till eleven then steered S.E. by E.  
Latter part, came to on Starboard tack, nothing doing  
saw one Finback

Friday Jan 30<sup>th</sup> S. 39° 35' E. 5° 57'  
Came in with light breeze steered S.E. till eleven, then  
run N.E. till seven, then came to on port tack, one  
sail in sight.

Saturday Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> S. 38° 41' E. 7° 14'  
Came in with light breeze made all sail and kept  
off. latter part, came to on Starboard tack blowing  
hard, under short sail, one sail in sight

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## Remarks on Board Ship Niger of

Sunday February 1<sup>st</sup> 1880 <sup>South</sup> Latitude & longitude  
38° 25' S. 8° 27 $\frac{1}{2}$  E.

Came in with a good breeze wore round twice to day  
steered S. E. and got a small hove to in staysails, at noon  
have had two small waves main topsail on port tack  
allowing heavy weather rain, saw one sail.

Monday Feb. 2<sup>d</sup> S. 38° 25' S. 9° 50'

This morning were off for sperm whaling before  
a strong wind and heavy sea, boats on upper deck,  
five bowsails and cross set steering N. E. by N.  
Cattle the same blowing hard nothing seen.

Tuesday Feb. 3<sup>d</sup> S. 35° 40' E. 10° 00'

Came in more moderate all sail set steering N. E. by E.  
To day broke out Beef. Middle hatch steering N. W. Scatter  
part the same nothing seen.

Wednesday Feb 4<sup>th</sup> S. 35° 00' E. 8° 12 $\frac{1}{4}$ 

Came in calm, afternoon got a breeze steered N. W.  
Scatter part. all sail set. saw some Grampus.

Thursday Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 22' E. 7° 55'

Came in fine and light wind steering N. W. all sail set  
have been at work breaking out most all day Scatter  
part, steering S. E. on Starboard tack all sail set.

Friday Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 22' E. 7° 48 $\frac{3}{4}$ 

Came in with light breeze steering S. E. by E. all sail  
set. Bent the old Fore-tail and Main topgallant  
staysail, Scatter part a calm on Starboard tack.

Saturday Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 10' E. 11° 24 $\frac{1}{4}$ 

 Came in with brisk wind steering S. E.  
have been clearing ship to day, at three  
Mr. Morse raised three large whales, lobered four  
boats the Mate struck one and got one bomb into  
him but he made for the boat and smashed  
him up. Mr. Peters struck one and they killed  
him just before dark. Mr. Peters fell over board  
out the boat and Theop. got his leg cut.  
Took in all sail and turned in leaving everything  
snug. Cooper was the only man that  
stood watch.

View Bedford Thomas A. Gallett Captain  
South East  
Sunday Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> 1880, latitude 40° 10' S. longitude 160° E.

Began to cut in wire but a shark round my  
jaw and tried to wash him parted fluke chain  
and jaw chain rendered, lowered waist Boat and got  
him again at low, saved the chains put on a  
new fluke chain. Slaters are under main topsail with  
rain.

Monday Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> S 33° 34' E ~~33° 07'~~  
At four this morning the fluke chain parted again  
but the jaw chain held this time, we put on  
the halter and chafed off that, so we put on a  
small fluke chain and began to cut in it took all  
day and didn't get the case on deck till dark, it  
blows hard from S.W. started the works.

Tuesday Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> S 33° 09' E  
Came in fine with light winds, called all hands  
at five this morning and got the case bailed and  
overboard before breakfast. Slaters, port watch went below  
at three and stayed till five. Everything greasy and  
dirty, and everything went wrong with this whale, more  
trouble they say than ever had with this ship before;  
two fluke chains and a halter parted.

Wednesday Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> S — E  
Finished boiling last night. have been repairing boats  
and odd jobs. Slaters, by the wind under ship topsails  
on Port tack.

Thursday February 12<sup>th</sup> S 33° 26' E. 10° 15' S  
Stowed. Came in fine so we made all sail. Stowed down 66<sup>4</sup>  
cwt. bbls. of oil, saw some jumbers. Slaters part, light  
breeze took in sail on Starboard tack.  
2079  
gallons  
Sperm

Friday February 13<sup>th</sup> S 33° 46' E. 11° 00'  
Came in blowing brisk carried three topsails and fore  
sail all day. nothing doing. Slaters part strong breeze  
on starboard tack not this seen.

Saturday Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> S — E  
Came in blowing brisk, ship on starboard tack  
wose ship. have been employed loafing, saw hump  
back feed. Slaters part, took in sail on starboard  
tack.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Sunday February 15<sup>th</sup> 1880 Latitude <sup>South</sup> 33° 26' Longitude <sup>East</sup> 10° 02'

Came in with light breeze made all sail on port tack  
 Sun. Steered N. after breakfast raised a humback. tried to  
 make it out steam, but was no go. Capt. put up a  
 gold watch for a hundred bbls. of oil. hours that followed  
 latter part, took in sail steering the same blowing brisk.

Monday Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> S. 31° 36' E. 7° 55'

Came in with light breeze made all sail steering N.W.  
 latter part, took in all light sail steering N.W. by N. saw  
 squid.

Tuesday Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> S. 30° 21' E. 5° 22'

Struck the South East trader this morning steered  
 N.W. Hoisted out the fluke bit and repaired it.  
 latter part the same. nothing seen

Wednesday Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> S. 29° 48' E. 2° 31'

Came in fine steered N.W. all day under short sail  
 latter part, strong breeze. saw skip jacks and flying  
 squid.

Thursday Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> S. 28° 57' E. 0° 09'

Came in with stiff breeze steering N.W. under the  
 tosails and Foresail. did nothing all day at dark  
 came to on Starboard tack got bone on deck to soak.

Friday Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> S. 28° 15' E. 0° 26'

Came in fine ship on Starboard tack, five tosails  
 and courses set. washed bone all day nearly finished  
 latter part, on same tack nothing seen.

Saturday Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> S. 27° 15' E. 1° 30'

Came in fine ship on Starboard tack. Finished  
 washing bone early. latter part are caring all sail  
 steering E.S.E.

Sunday Feb. 22<sup>d</sup> S. 26° 43' E. 4° 20'

Came in with strong breeze ship on Starboard tack  
 raised a whale but did not see it again. saw  
 a Merchant bark she was steering N. latter part  
 equally with strong wind took in light sail steering E.

New Bedford, Thomas J. Ballott, Captain

Monday February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1880      South <sup>East</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
 $25^{\circ} 34'$   $4^{\circ} 37'$

Came in blowing fresh under topsails with frequent squalls.  
 Nine sails in sight tacking N. one looked like a yankee  
 Scatter part on the wind on Starboard tack all sail set.

Tuesday February 24<sup>th</sup> S.  $24^{\circ} 08' E.$   $6^{\circ} 15' S.$   
 Came in with a strong breeze. Set on Starboard tack  
 Set up the Main rigging to day. Scatter the same  
 all sail set.

Wednesday Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> S.  $22^{\circ} 40' E.$   $8^{\circ} 22' S.$   
 Came in with strong breeze. Ship on. Port tack.  
 broke out water, scatter part, on same tack all sail  
 set.

Thursday Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> S.  $20^{\circ} 55' E.$   $10^{\circ} 21' S.$   
 Came in with strong breeze all sail set steering E.  
 Have been at work determining rigging to day. Scatter,  
 part, took in sail on S. starboard tack.

Friday Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> S.  $21^{\circ} 15' E.$   
 Kept off N. W. Steered so full four hours raised a  
 sail steering off chased her till dark then <sup>w</sup> could  
 not make her out, plenty of Blackfish in sight  
 all day.

Saturday Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> S. — E.  
 Came in with a strong breeze. Set on port tack  
 Raised a large white water this morning, could not  
 make it out, also saw plenty of Humpbacks,  
 Scatter part on same tack under short sail

Sunday Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> S.  $20^{\circ} 50' E.$   $9^{\circ} 16' S.$   
 Came in blowing hard and cloudy and foggy,  
 saw porpoises. Scatter part we have three topsails  
 and fore sail set, hauled the Mainsail and  
 staysails heading W. So ends the winter of  
 1880.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Monday March 1st 1880 <sup>South</sup> <sup>East</sup> Latitudes & Longitudes

Came in with a strong breeze steered W. N. W. under short sail, till dark then came to on Starboard tack, nothing seen.

Tuesday March 2d S. 21° 09' E. 6° 53' Bright but breezy steered N. E. till sunset, then came to on starboard tack under short sail, have been breaking out work & Provisions.

Wednesday Mar. 3d S. 19° 48' E. 7° 41' Steered N. E. all day, at dark came to on Starboard tack, have been at work today taking the Fore rigging. latter, took in sail, nothing seen.

Thursday March 4th S. 18° 55' E. 8° 10' Fine till after 12, have been rigging Calday, have been at work all day in the rigging, staved some. latter part, came to on Starboard tack under short sail.

Friday March 5th S. 18° 15' E. — Kept off this morning E. S. E. steered so all day. latter part came to on Starboard tack under short sail. have been wind of rigging up fore part, saw a sunfish.

Saturday Mar. 6th S. 17° 48' E. 9° 22' Came in calm, middle part got a little breeze cleaned ship out side, at four lowered for whales chased them till dark, are now by the wind on Starboard tack all sail set.

Sunday March 7th S. 17° 46' E. — One more month out which makes <sup>up</sup> 19 months with 1800 lbs of oil, this morning, saw whales seven miles off being calm, did not lower, they were in sight three hours. latter part are now close hauled on Starboard tack under all sail.

Monday March 8th S. 18° 10' E. 9° 55' Bright with strong breeze Shift by the wind on Starboard tack. latter part, more round took in all sail, nothing seen and we did nothing.

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New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett, Captain  
 Tuesday March 9th 1880. <sup>South</sup> <sup>East</sup> ~~Latitude & Longitude~~

Sail. Kept off this morning N.W. at nine raised a sail which proved to be the Platina whal. Gilbert, have been gannering all day. At the first strong breeze took in sail on port tack, our work stopped so we lost the sun,

Wednesday Mar. 10th S.  $18^{\circ} 12' E.$   $8^{\circ} 28'$   
 Came in bright but hazy. Kept off to N.E. under no sail. raised one white water could not make it out. Scatter part. Came to windward tack, and took in sail.

Thursday Mar. 11th S.  $17^{\circ} 12' E.$   $9^{\circ} 33 \frac{3}{4}$   
 Came in fine, saw the Platina, we steered S. N.E. all day. Scatter, turned to our port tack under short sail.

Friday Mar. 12th S.  $16^{\circ} 58' E.$   $8^{\circ} 56 \frac{1}{2}$   
 Came in bright still N. all sail set. Scatter part. took in sail on starboard tack. saw two Hump Backs.

Saturday Mar. 13th S.  $17^{\circ} 38' E.$   $7^{\circ} 25'$   
 Made all sail on port tack with fine weather. have been gannering all the time. At day. Scatter part. wore ship took in sail nothing seen.

Sunday Mar. 14th S.  $17^{\circ} 00' E.$   $8^{\circ} 23'$   
 Fine weather brisk wind. Steering E by N. at noon raised a school of finbacks got all ready to lower thought they were Spanish whalers. Scatter part came to the wind on starboard tack under no sail. they say they saw finbacks from deck that were not seen from masthead.

 Monday Mar. 15th S.  $16^{\circ} 45' E.$   $9^{\circ} 03'$   
 Blowing a smashing breeze from S.E. W. Sounded for whalers at half past six going to windward. and came back at eight, saw them again at half past one, Scatter part close hauled on starboard tack under ~~up~~ top sail and courses.

Tuesday Mar. 16th S.  $16^{\circ} 56' E.$   $9^{\circ} 07 \frac{1}{4}$   
 Came in with strong breeze and thick. carried sail all day run a little on both tacks. Scatter part shortened sail on starboard tack, saw Blackfish and porpoises.

Wednesday Mar. 17th S.  $15^{\circ} 55' E.$   $9^{\circ} 47 \frac{1}{4}$   
 Made sail on starboard tack, wore ship at ten and again at sunset then took in all sail nothing seen.

## Remarks on said Ship Niger of

Guinea, Vessel, 1800, Latitude & Longitude  
South. East.  
Came in this way to starboard, S.  $16^{\circ} 00'$  E.  $9^{\circ} 18'$   
blowing a gale, we stood West, on port tack all day  
 latter part, we stood to starboard took in sail.

Friday March 19th S.  $16^{\circ} 20'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 44\frac{1}{2}'$   
Carried sail on port tack all day, crew employed luffing.  
Latter part, took in sail and took in sail nothing seen.

Saturday March 20th S.  $16^{\circ} 22'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 32'$   
Came in wind hard, ship on Port tack under lower top  
sails. Latter part, we stood nothing seen.

Sunday March 21st S.  $16^{\circ} 52'$  E.  $7^{\circ} 49'$   
Bright and blowy, drove ship at daylight and give her  
main sail and jib. Latter part on port tack with  
three topsails and courses set.

Monday Mar. 22d S.  $17^{\circ} 23'$  E.  $5^{\circ} 49'$   
Fine weather, I guarded in this morning N.W. by N.  
have been scraping top masts did not quite finish  
latter part, heat and Moon light, all sail set, steering  
the same.

Tuesday Mar. 23d S.  $16^{\circ} 10'$  E.  $3^{\circ} 56\frac{1}{2}'$   
Came in fine, steering N.W. by N. all sail set,  
finished scraping spars. Latter part steering the same

Wednesday Mar. 24th S.  $14^{\circ} 45'$  E.  $1^{\circ} 33\frac{1}{4}'$   
Came in fine, steering N.W. by N. all day all sail set  
latter part took in sail on port tack and luffed to the wind

Thursday Mar. 25th S.  $14^{\circ} 10'$  E.  $0^{\circ} 3'$   
Came in clear, with light breeze steering N.W. all sail set  
raised a sail which proved to be the Grey Flag and  
Capt. Allen, Capt. Giddell went there and we had a  
fine time here. There were some fine singers in her.  
crew. Latter part still galing, on Starboard tack  
under short sail.

Friday Mar. 26th S.  $14^{\circ} 32'$  E.  $0^{\circ} 17\frac{1}{4}'$   
Came in wind and drove by the wind on Port tack.  
gained the Takak B. Gale. Grey Flag in sight  
latter part, by the wind on starboard tack.

New Bedford Mass. Thomas A. Challen Captain

Saturday March 27<sup>th</sup> 1880 <sup>South</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
15° 10' 0 41'

Came in with slow breeze by the wind on starboard tack. At noon left for St. Helena. At 4 P.M. left off for the Rock. (St. Helena) steering West all sail set.

Sunday March 28<sup>th</sup> S 16° 12' W. 3° 33'

Came in with strong breeze, hitting off lively heading N.W. At noon kept to N.W. N.W. latter part the same now fore top sail braces.

Monday March 29. S. W.

Raised sound at six this morning anchored at three found a large fleet of ships in. At night one watch ashore for a swim.

Tuesday March 30<sup>th</sup>

The Old Draco was condemned, she was completely rotten out, they say.

Wednesday March 31<sup>st</sup>

Good weather, some of the Dracos crew were here gaming.

Never miss a kiss! Even if you have to kiss a Miss.  
My opinion is that they are the best class to kiss.

Of many a shaft at random sent,  
It yields back the archer little merit,  
And many a word at random spoken,  
May soothe or wound a heart, when broken.

1860

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Thursday April 1st 1860 En. Port.  
Fine weather. A small crew of Brig. Helena & H. Adams  
on board.

Friday 2d Dined down town and at night I went to the Frazer  
this afternoon and ashore at night.

Saturday 3d The bark Michle, that is to take home oil  
arrived. At night went yarning to the Wanderer.

Sunday 4th Good weather with showers. At night went to the  
Chas. W. Morgan.

Monday 5th Fine weather. Jeremiah Perry and Wanderer sailed  
Tuesday 6th A fair at the Garden ashore.

Wednesday 7th.

Thursday 8th Mary Fraizer sailed to cruise, and the Scottie  
Beard, sailed for home. Frank Rico and old cook  
went home in her sick.

Friday 9th The bark Stafford sailed.

Sunday 10th I went to the Gornold and dined, a Boston  
ship passed close in, dipped her Ensign and nobody  
answered her. A large ship called the Harbinger of  
Liverpool came and anchored.

Tuesday 12th Bark Greyhound came in and anchored  
Thursday 15th Barks Hercules came in at three and the Sea Ranger  
anchored at dark.

Friday 16th At two this afternoon we began to drag our anchor  
the Mate was ashore and second mate aboard of the  
Michle stowing oil. the port anchor was foul so  
we could not let go so we drifted down into the hatch  
her flying boom went under our house and broke off  
close up to the royal head stay, we run lines to the  
Mast and a hulk and got an extra crew from the  
Eliza Adams and sailed up again and dropped  
both anchors.

Sunday 17th Bark President came back leaking badly. A large  
English troop ship came in and took off some troops

Monday 18th The bark Peteral sailed for home amid many cheers  
and the Alice H. Nowles came to an anchor at  
dark.

New Bedford. Thomas A. Hallett Captain

Thursday April 22<sup>d</sup> 1880. In Port.

At night went fishing to the Alice Knowles.

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> The Gosnold sailed at eight this morning laid off and out till 12<sup>m</sup> in the afternoon then squared in for home all sail set. we boarded her at nine and Mr. Walker sent a boat home.

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> I was aboard the Alice Knowles all day.

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Starboard watch on Liberty

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> Port watch on Liberty

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> Starboard watch on Liberty

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Port watch ashore on Liberty Anchored at nine at night

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Starboard watch on Liberty. Sunbeam came in and

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> Port watch ashore on last Liberty

Schooner Edward Wittery sailed for home with a cargo of oil. and some of the Drackers crew.

This should read May 1<sup>st</sup> how long since April had 31 days.

### Characteristics of Nantucket People.

1<sup>st</sup>. The Rays and Russells, coopers are.

The knowings Holgers lazy,

A living Coleman very irate,

And scarce an honest Hopper.

The Coffins noisy, fractious, loud,

The silent Gardners plodding,

The Mitchells good, the Barkers proud,

And the Macys eat the puddings.

2<sup>nd</sup>

The Swaines are swinish, clownish called,

The Bagnards very civil,

The Starbuck, they are loud, to balls,

And Pinkhams beat the Devil.

Remarks in our Trip Niger of  
Saturday May 1<sup>st</sup> 1860.      South.      West.  
Latitude & Longitude

Port watch on Saturday. Schooner Edward  
Vitry sailed for home with a cargo of 400 bbls of  
oil.

Sunday May 2<sup>nd</sup> In Port.  
At night Starboard watch on a sun an English barkentine  
came in.

Monday May 3<sup>rd</sup> In Port.  
We are now all ready for sea and waiting to sail  
Satter part. Captain and his lady. came aboard and  
we took our departure at half past six. the master  
diped her lights to us and cheered. we are now  
steering E. all sail set. We kept in port. Parks.  
Alice Knowles. Sunbeam, and Hercules. of and on.

Tuesday May 4<sup>th</sup> S. 15° 25' N. 5° 14'  
Came in with a breeze after breakfast went round with  
sail and in sight Satter part. Land in sight on  
starboard port 15 miles off.

Wednesday May. 5<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 28' N. 4° 18'  
Came in with light breeze ship on Starboard tack heading  
E. Painted Starboard boat and put up Starboard bow  
davits Satter part. same kind of weather East wind and  
I took.

Thursday May 6<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 40' N. 2° 46'  
Came in with light breeze ship on Starboard  
tack have been Painting and repairing boats.

Friday May 7<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 18' N. 1° 18'  
Came in with brisk breeze on Starboard tack all day  
working on the boats.

Saturday May 8<sup>th</sup> S. 11° 05' S. 0° 21'  
Came in fine. Launched the Starboard bow boat and  
hoisted her up. after supper tacked ship are now on port  
tack all sail set.

Sunday May 9<sup>th</sup> S. 11° 35' N. 0° 24'  
Came in with fine weather. ship on Starboard tack  
till four o'clock then tacked ship. Satter part. the same

80 New Bedford June 4. H. Abbott Captain

Monday May 10<sup>th</sup> 1850 <sup>South</sup> <sup>W. st.</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
<sup>12° 50' 1° 20'</sup>

Came in with light breeze Ship on Port tack, painted the waist boat. latter part tacked ship all sail set.

Tuesday May 11<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 20' E. 1° 04' <sup>East</sup>  
 Came in blowing fresh took in topgallantsails but set them again at three on starboard tack all day painted S. Bow Boat.

Wednesday May 12<sup>th</sup> S. 11° 50' E 2° 53' <sup>3</sup>  
 Came in with a strong breeze under to sail. on Starboard tack latter part. all sail set on same tack.

Thursday May 13<sup>th</sup> S. 11° 45' E. 4° 06' <sup>3</sup>  
 Fine weather all day Ship close hauled on Starboard tack all sail set. latter part moderate nothing doing all day.

Friday May 14<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 10' E. 5° 36' <sup>2</sup>  
 Fine weather all day on Starboard tack under all sail. Have been repairing the boat that we used for shore. latter part moderate breeze on same tack.

Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 20' E 7° 11' <sup>1</sup>  
 Came in clear and fine. Ship on Starboard tack under all sail. latter part tack'd ship nothing seen. ..

Sunday May 16<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 45' E. 7° 54' <sup>3</sup>  
 Came in blowing brisk. Ship close hauled on Starboard tack. took in topgallant sails. on same tack.

Monday May 17<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 08' E. 9° 35' <sup>2</sup>  
 Came in with a strong wind by the wind on the of starboard tack nothing doing but drying. latter part. a strong breeze on same tack all sail set.

Tuesday May 18<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 12' E. 10° 14' <sup>1</sup>  
 Came in blowing brisk Ship on Starboard tack. latter part are now on same tack all sail set.

Wednesday May 19<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 40' E. 10° 26' <sup>1</sup>  
<sup>2</sup> Came in with light breeze Ship on Starboard tack. saw hump back feed. latter part. a good breeze all sail set on same tack.

Thursday May 20<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 54' E. 11° 05' <sup>3</sup>  
 Came in with light breeze Ship on Starboard tack. latter part. a moderate breeze.

1880

## Remarks on board Ship Niger. of

Friday May 21<sup>st</sup> 1880. <sup>South. Lat. 15° 35' S. Long. 6° 44' E.</sup> Latitude 15° 35' S. Long. 6° 44' E.

Came in light southerly wind at 11. raised a little Drifting. Scatter part wind abd at 6 we raised the port of Africa. Scatter part wind blows strong ship on Port tack.

Saturday May 22<sup>d</sup> S. 16° 00' E. 9° 10' <sup>2</sup>  
Came in 10 miles N. S. Ship under top sail on Port tack Scatter part. wore ship with moderate breeze all sail set.

Sail

Sunday May 23<sup>d</sup> S. 16° 15' E. 8° 48' <sup>3</sup>  
Came in with a light wind ship on Port tack at ten raised a sail to windward hoisting called it the Gay Head, lost sight in the afternoon. Scatter part almost calm. on Starboard tack all sail set.

Gam.

Monday May 24<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 30' E. 9° 42' <sup>2</sup>  
Came in with a moderate breeze one sail to windward, at two we sighted her she is the Alice Knowles we gained her in the afternoon. one more in sight to leeward. blackish and porpoises, in sight.

Sail

Tuesday May 25<sup>th</sup> S. 17° 00' E. 10° 45' <sup>2</sup>  
Came in with light breeze ship on Starboard tack two sail in sight A. Knowles and one we think is the Gisela. Scatter part. wore ship are now on Port tack all sail set and a moderate breeze.Wednesday May 26<sup>th</sup> S. 17° 05' E. 9° 22' <sup>2</sup>  
Begins with a moderate breeze ship on Port tack One sail in sight off weather quarter. Scatter part, light wind on same tack we got three Porpoises.Thursday May 27<sup>th</sup> S. 17° 55' E. 8° 02' <sup>2</sup>  
Came in with sharp breeze ship close hauled on Port tack Scatter part. a brisk breeze on same tack took in the light sailsFriday May 28<sup>th</sup> S. 18° 50' E. 6° 38' <sup>1</sup>  
Came in with sharp breeze ship on Port tack, Middle part wore ship saw a small white whale. Scatter part by the wind all sail set.Saturday May 29<sup>th</sup> S. 18° 38' E. 8° 09' <sup>1</sup>  
Came in fine ship on Starboard tack. Scatter part a moderate breeze on same tack all sail set.

1886

81

New Bedford. Thomas A. Gallett. Captain

Sunday May 30<sup>th</sup> 1880. <sup>South</sup> Latitude & <sup>East</sup> Longitude  
D.R.  $18^{\circ} 33'$   $9^{\circ} 20'$

Came in with light breeze Ship on Starboard tack  
Scatter part. a moderate breeze on the same tack all sail  
set.

Monday May 31<sup>st</sup> S.  $18^{\circ} 25'$  E.  $10^{\circ} 06'$

Came in with good breeze Ship on Starboard tack  
wore twice to day. Scatter part. all sail set nothing  
seen. I am eighteen years old today and Mrs.  
Gallett is thirty six.

Home  
Through other lands with skies more blue,  
And fields more broad and fair,  
Nowhere on Earth are hearts more true,  
Than those that greet me there.

Home  
There are no times like the old times  
They shall never be forgot,  
There is no place like the old place,  
Keep green the dear old spot.

Home  
There are no friends like the old friends,  
May heaven prolong their lives,  
There are no loves like the old loves  
God bless our loving wives. And Mothers.

1880

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Tuesday June 1<sup>st</sup> 1880.      <sup>South</sup> Latitude      <sup>East</sup> Longitude  
19° 20'

Came in fine with light breeze, left off. N. N. W.  
& Mr. Marshall and crew which overthought were  
spearm. Broke out water. Scatter part are under  
lower topsails blowing fresh on port tack.

Wednesday 2<sup>d</sup> of June. S. 18° 50' E. 7° 35'  
Came in blowing hard. steering N.N.W. under lower  
topsails. repaired the upper main topsail.  
Scatter part came to on port tack, blowing hard.

Thursday June 3<sup>d</sup> S. 18° 15' E. 6° 46'  
Came in fine, steered E. N. E. all day. Scatter part  
came to with moderate breeze all sail set.

Friday June 4<sup>th</sup> S. 17° 54' E. 7° 59'  
Came in fine, steered N.N.E. all day. crew employed  
repairing fore Top Gallant Sail. Scatter part shortened  
sail and run East. dead calm

Saturday June 5<sup>th</sup> S. 17° 15' E. 8° 42'  
Bent. Came in fine, steered E. N. E.; crossed the Royal  
yards and bent the sails. Scatter part came to on  
royals. Starboard tack under short sail. saw Humpbacks.

Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 54' E. 9° 00'  
Black } Came in fine, kept off all day. with light wind.  
Fish } Scatter part, came to on Starboard tack under short sail

Monday June 7<sup>th</sup> S. 15° 55' E. 8° 19'  
Started off this morning with light breeze. Scatter part  
came to on Port tack under short sail. Caught one big  
Albacore.

Tuesday June 8<sup>th</sup> S. 15° 25' E. 7° 00'  
Made all sail this morning and left off. Scatter  
part came to with head yards aback. six topsails set.  
saw a Hump Back.

Wednesday June 9<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 20' E. 6° 42'  
Came in fine, steered off all day. busy mending  
sails. Scatter part running with yards square three  
Royals set.

New Bedford. Thomas A. Gallett, Captain

Thursday June 10th 1881. <sup>South</sup> <sup>East</sup> Latitude <sup>12° 00'</sup> Longitude <sup>W. Longitude</sup>

Came in with light breeze steering N.W. at two o'clock raised a school of whales and a large lone whale, lowered three boats and the mate struck him at four. Mr. Peters got fast and Mr. Morse got a bomb into him he came up and went under the ship lowered the starboard boat, and prepared to stay all night when the line got foul and parted had to cut. Hard luck.

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Friday June 11th S.  $11^{\circ} 58' E. 6^{\circ} 50'$

Came in with light breeze ship by the wind on Port tack, all sail set. at three raised whales going to windward lowered and the mate and second mate struck one each, got them alongside at half past seven.

Saturday June 12th S.  $11^{\circ} 36' E. 7^{\circ} 17'$

Began to cut at daylight, came in before breakfast and one after, made sail on starboard tack, at sunset started the fires. are on same tack all sail set.

Sunday June 13th S.  $11^{\circ} 50' E. 7^{\circ} 32'$

Came in fine, and crowded over <sup>by noon</sup> ship on Port tack, got through boiling at noon. latter part, are now under topsails.

Monday June 14th S. — E. —

Came in with light breeze ship on Port tack, saw one Humpback, latter part, were round, took in light sails and hauled up the courses.

Tuesday June 15th S.  $11^{\circ} 40' E. 7^{\circ} 05'$

Stood off all day with little or no wind at three raised a sail on port bow stood off for her she laid aback till we were within four miles of her then loosed her main Royal, and stood away we loosed all three royals and chased her after supper she hauled aback so we furled the light sails and hove to and left her on lar quarter. She looked like the *Platina*.

Wednesday June 16th S. — E. —

Came in fine. Ship on Port tack all sail set, two sails in sight Bertha and Stafford, we gained the Bertha, and the Stafford run off, so after the Gay Head came down and Capt. Whittle came aboard, she is clean and the Bertha has 160 bbl this season.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger. of.

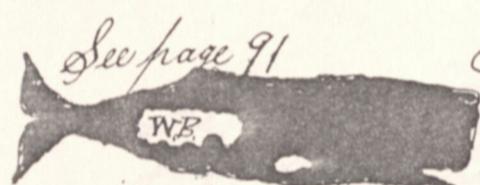
Thursday June 17<sup>th</sup> S. 11° 46' South. <sup>East.</sup> Latitud & longitude  
11° 46' S. 6° 36' E.

Calm in evening land, wind down, topsails one sail in sight astern and saw a large slick, latter part the same strong breeze set to and down upper topsails.

Friday June 18<sup>th</sup> S. —  
Calm in thick with brisk breeze, on starboard tack, men busy making broad gaskets. latter part on larboard tack all sail set.

Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup> S. 11° 52' S. 7° 01'  
Calm in with wind from astern by the wind on port tack. latter part the same, all sail set, nothing in sight

Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup> S. 11° 55' S. 7° 14'  
Calm in calm, wind down, wings on starboard tack. latter part the same, nothing seen.



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Monday June 21<sup>st</sup> S. 12° 21' S. —  
Calm in fore with light breeze worked the out side, at half past eleven raised whale and lowered they were bulls and all fair size. Mr Petess struck one. latter part under short sail. light breeze.

Tuesday June 22<sup>d</sup> S. 12° 10' S. 7° 48'  
Calm in calm, set the and finished before breakfast time, made sail on port tack. latter part, calm will not start the works till tomorrow, time eight A.M. raised a large sperm whale close to the ship, going to windward slow, it is very bright Moon light.

Wednesday June 23<sup>d</sup> S. 12° 20' S. 7° 37'  
Calm in fine ship on starboard tack all sail set began to boil at noon. latter part, could not see anything of our whale we saw last night, are now boiling



Thursday June 24<sup>th</sup> S. —  
Calm in cloudy finished boiling at daylight, at eight lowered for a large lone whale going to windward, chased him all day but did not get him. latter part, a good breeze ship by the wind on port tack all sail set.

New Bedford. Thomas A. Ballott, Captain

Friday June 25th 1850.  $\begin{array}{l} \text{South} \\ \text{Latitude} \end{array}$   $12^{\circ} 45'$   $\begin{array}{l} \text{East} \\ \text{Longitude} \end{array}$   $7^{\circ} 34'$

Came in with a brisk wind ship on port tack under topsails, latter part a moderate breeze on starboard tack nothing seen.

Saturday June 26th  $\begin{array}{l} \text{S} \\ \text{Latitude} \end{array}$   $12^{\circ} 50' \text{ S}$ ,  $7^{\circ} 57'$   
Came in thick and hazy. Ship on Port tack. latter part, took in all the light sails, nothing seen.

Sunday June 27th  $\begin{array}{l} \text{S} \\ \text{Latitude} \end{array}$   $12^{\circ} 30' \text{ S}$ ,  $7^{\circ} 14'$   
Came in with light wind made all sail. Kept off all day saw Finbacks, and a white whale, during the day. latter part, came to on starboard tack under short sail.

Monday June 28th  $\begin{array}{l} \text{S} \\ \text{Latitude} \end{array}$   $12^{\circ} 10' \text{ S}$ ,  $7^{\circ} 27\frac{3}{4}$   
Made all sail this morning on Port tack with the light wind, put up new French bunt gaskets, fore and aft. latter part, calm, took in light sails.

Tuesday June 29th  $\begin{array}{l} \text{S} \\ \text{Latitude} \end{array}$   $11^{\circ} 56' \text{ S}$   
Kept off this morning at ten lowered for Blackfish played with them all day struck two and lost one. latter part, calm, took in light sails on port tack.

Wednesday June 30th  $\begin{array}{l} \text{S} \\ \text{Latitude} \end{array}$   $11^{\circ} 50' \text{ S}$ ,  $7^{\circ} 31\frac{1}{2}$   
Came in fine, raised dism'd which proved to be the C. Igo Adams. latter part still gaming. Boiled our Blackfish this afternoon.

## Remarks, on board Ship Niger of

Thursday July 1<sup>st</sup> 1880. <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>East</sup> Longitude  
 (Starboard)  $12^{\circ} 05' 7\frac{3}{4}^{\prime\prime}$   $59^{\circ} 59' 2\frac{1}{2}^{\prime\prime}$   
 Came in calm Ship on ~~Port~~ tack Eliza Adams  
 in sight on the other tack. Scatter part the same saw  
 nothing.

Friday July 2<sup>nd</sup> S. — E. —  
 Came in with gentle breeze on starboard tack.  
 Scatter part, a cable, nothing seen from masthead.

Saturday July 3<sup>rd</sup> S.  $12^{\circ} 26' 6\frac{3}{4}^{\prime\prime}$  —  
 Came in calm. Went in Blackfishing all day struck  
 four and saw the still calm.

Sunday July 4<sup>th</sup> S.  $12^{\circ} 40' 6\frac{3}{4}^{\prime\prime}$   $8^{\circ} 10\frac{3}{4}^{\prime\prime}$   
 This the <sup>4th</sup> of July, the Anniversary of the Birth day of  
 American Independence, came in with light wind  
 died out and went at calm. Scatter part, got a little  
 breeze and now on starboard tack, all sail set.

Monday July 5<sup>th</sup> S.  $13^{\circ} 10' 6\frac{3}{4}^{\prime\prime}$   $8^{\circ} 19'$   
 Came in blows quickly. Ship on the starboard tack  
 went round twice to day. Boiled out the Blackfish  
 oil, it made three bbls. I believe. Scatter part gentle  
 breeze on starboard tack, nothing seen.

Tuesday July 6<sup>th</sup> S.  $13^{\circ} 05' 6\frac{3}{4}^{\prime\prime}$   $7^{\circ} 20\frac{3}{4}^{\prime\prime}$   
 Came in with brisk wind. Steered off all day,  
 Scatter part came to on starboard tack under short sail.

Wednesday July 7<sup>th</sup> S.  $12^{\circ} 40' 6\frac{3}{4}^{\prime\prime}$   
 Steered to the Northward all day, but saw nothing.  
 Scatter part, came to on Port tack with the head yards  
 aback, all sail set.

Thursday July 8<sup>th</sup> S.  $12^{\circ} 20' 6\frac{3}{4}^{\prime\prime}$   $7^{\circ} 54\frac{3}{4}^{\prime\prime}$   
 Came in fine. Steered off all day saw nothing but  
 Finbacks. Scatter part, came to on Port tack head yards aback  
 all sail set. Broke out water to day.

Friday July 9<sup>th</sup> S.  $11^{\circ} 15' 6\frac{3}{4}^{\prime\prime}$  E.  $6^{\circ} 48'$   
 Came in with brisk wind. Steered off this morning  
 and saw only Porpoises. Scatter part, came to on  
 starboard tack under short sail.

New Bedford Thomas F. Callett Captain

Saturday July 10<sup>th</sup> 1860. <sup>South. East.</sup>  
Latitude & Longitude  
"11° 00' S. 70° 02' E.  
Steered off till noon, then came to on starboard tack.  
Latter by the wind or same tack all sail set.

Sunday July 11<sup>th</sup> S. — E. —  
Came in fine weather. Went round two or three times  
Latter part, saw a seal on white water but could not make  
it out, we are now on starboard tack all sail set.

Monday July 12<sup>th</sup> S. 11° 35' E. 7° 46' <sup>1/2</sup>  
Came in with light breeze ship all sail set.  
Have been making up gear and general, latter part,  
got a breeze again we are now on starboard tack all sail  
set.

Tuesday July 13<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 00' E. 8° 15'  
Came in calm and went about calm, Nothing seen  
men employed repairing.

Wednesday July 14<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 12' E. —  
Came in with good breeze ship on Port tack.  
Latter part calm nothing seen, have been repairing  
foot ropes.

Thursday July 15<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 45' E. 6° 39' <sup>1/4</sup>  
Came in with light breeze ship on Port tack all sail  
set. Have been employed repairing lifts and foot ropes.  
Latter part, it is moderate we're bound at sunset.

Friday July 16<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 36' E. —  
Came in moderate ship on Starboard tack went  
round twice during the day. Scatter part a good breeze  
nothing seen but finbacks. repaired rigging to day.

Saturday July 17<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 35' E. 7° 21' <sup>3/4</sup>  
Came in with strong breeze ship on Port tack all  
sail set. have been at work repairing lifts & foot ropes.  
Latter part, blow hard snugged her down to lower  
top sails.

Sunday July 18<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 35' E. 7° 59'  
Came in with light breeze ship on Port tack  
Latter part, we're ship all sail set, nothing seen.

Monday July 19<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 40' E. 8° 40'  
Wore ship at daylight with light breeze all sail set.  
Finished the lifts and foot ropes today.  
Latter part calm ship on Starboard tack.  
nothing seen.

Remarks on Board Ship Niger of  
Tuesday July 20th 1880. Latitude  $13^{\circ} 08'$  South, Longitude  $85^{\circ} 47'$  East

Came in with light breeze. Ship on Port tack all day set, at noon went round, have been repairing the jib to day finished and bent it again. Scatter part, a good breeze nothing new.

Wednesday July 21st S.  $13^{\circ} 40'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 57'$   
Came in blowing briskly. Ship on Port tack, have been repairing the Foresail to day. Scatter part a strong breeze took in all light sail on same tack.

Thursday July 22d S.  $13^{\circ} 55'$  E.  $7^{\circ} 40'$   
Came in breeze with Ship on Port tack.  
made a Tarponline for the try works, nothing seen.

Friday July 23d S. — E. —  
Came in with good breeze Ship on Port tack.  
Scatter part gathering, the Platina two days out from Fish Bay.

Saturday July 24th S.  $13^{\circ} 25'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 58'$   
Have been busy. To day sending up Foot-  
ropes, had a fine breeze all day. Scatter part, set the Royals on Starboard tack.

Sunday July 25th S.  $13^{\circ} 10'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 44'$   
Came in calm. Little heat got a little wind  
set the Royals steering N. by E.

Monday July 26th S.  $12^{\circ} 27'$  E. —  
Came in with most a calm, making seonet  
Middle part lowered for Blackfish but did not  
see them again. Scatter part calm, set the Royals.

Tuesday July 27th S.  $11^{\circ} 45'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 45'$   
Came in calm, sent the Mainsail down  
for repairs got it done and bent it again.  
Scatter part a little air steering N. N. E. nothing seen.

Wednesday July 28th S.  $11^{\circ} 10'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 48'$   
Came in with light breeze steering North, have  
been repairing jib stay and began new boat  
gripes. Scatter part, a little air all sail set  
two ~~Heads~~ ~~Heads~~ seen from masthead.

New Bedford, Thomas A. Hall Captain

Thursday July 24th 1880. <sup>South. Lat.</sup> <sup>East. Long.</sup> Latitude & Longitude

10° 30' 8° 27'

Calm all day, repaired Flyjib stay and made  
soward math grifes. Satter part a little air all  
sail set, nothing seen from masthead.

Friday July 30th S. — E. —

Calm all day. Billy At worked on grifes and  
broke out water in the morning. Satter part  
steering to the Northward with light breeze.

Sapage 91.



Saturday July 31st S. — E. —

Raised whales at daylight a large  
school of them had a good breeze a  
little while but was soon dead calm, chased them  
all day Mr. Peters got one and brought him  
alongside, we ship keepers put him most all  
in before the boats got back, Satter part.  
a light breeze ship on Starboard tack.

### List of remedies for different Diseases.

Disease. Hay Fever. Re-lady. Sulphate of Quinine injected  
into the nose.

Burn or Scald. Carbonate of soda, or common  
cooking soda wet and spread on like plaster.

Gruff. Honey and sugar mixed to suit the taste and  
taken by the spoonfull has cured many cases.

Catarrh. Mullen <sup>and</sup> smoked in a pipe has been known  
to cure severe cases if followed up.

### Hydrophobia

The disease, follows the biting of an animal  
by a mad dog etc, the signs of hydrophobia are  
not less than seven days and seldom greater  
than nine months, the scratch or even the  
froth from a mad dog will produce it as quick  
as the bite, but if said to be a sure cure.  
Take  $1\frac{1}{2}$  ounces of Eman fiance root pound it and  
boil it in a pint of new milk, bat till it is  
reduced to a half, take in the morning and  
eat this root in the evening  $\frac{1}{2}$  ounce  
of root to the same quantity of milk, three doses  
are generally enough, for a horse or cow, four times  
the amount is said to be known as.

## Remarks on board of the Niger of

Sunday August 1<sup>st</sup> 1880. <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>East</sup> Longitude  
 $9^{\circ} 36'$   $7^{\circ} 32\frac{1}{2}$ Had a good breeze all sail set, went toward shore  
times, no news of Blackfish in sight, Scatter part equal  
at both.Monday August 2<sup>d</sup>  $9^{\circ} 50' S.$   $6^{\circ} 36\frac{1}{4}$   
Finished running, took in all sail after breakfast saw a  
Humpback. Scatter part, strong breeze by the wind  
on Starboard tack.Tuesday August 3<sup>d</sup>  $9^{\circ} 25' S.$   $7^{\circ} 4\frac{1}{2}$   
Stayed off all day, came to at sunset, on Starboard  
tack took in all light sails.Wednesday August 4<sup>th</sup>  $9^{\circ} 25' S.$   $7^{\circ} 48'$   
Came in with light breeze, made out Beef & Pork, and the  
remainder spent, making boat griffes and other  
odd jobs. Scatter part a strong breeze ship on  
Port tack under topsails.Thursday August 5<sup>th</sup>  $9^{\circ} 20' S.$   $7^{\circ} 03'$   
Came in blowy gale on Port tack. To day we finished  
the griffes. Scatter part, took in all sail on same tack.Friday August 6<sup>th</sup>  $9^{\circ} 02' S.$   $6^{\circ} 14'$   
Came in with light breeze made all sail on the  
Starboard tack, stayed off all day, Scatter part came to on  
the same tack under Port sail.Saturday August 7<sup>th</sup>  $8^{\circ} 43' S.$   $6^{\circ} 53'$   
Came in with light breeze made all sail on Starboard  
tack. Have been gaming the Bark, Sea Ranger & the  
Holmes, all day. Scatter part, moderate on same tack.Sunday August 8<sup>th</sup>  $8^{\circ} 50' S.$   $7^{\circ} 48\frac{3}{4}$   
Came in with moderate breeze ship on the Starboard tack.  
Sea Ranger in sight. Scatter part, on same tack nothing  
seen.Monday August 9<sup>th</sup>  $8^{\circ} 53' S.$   
Came in with light breeze all sail set on Starboard tack  
Sea Ranger in sight. Scatter part a little air on same  
tack. Sea Ranger in sight off Sea quarter.Tuesday August 10<sup>th</sup>  $9^{\circ} 08' S.$   $8^{\circ} 53\frac{3}{4}$   
Came in. Calm off wind on Starboard tack. Scatter part  
Gam. Gaming the Sea Ranger, nothing seen.

New Bedford. Thomas A. Gallett Captain.

Wednesday August 11<sup>th</sup> 1880. <sup>South</sup> Latitude & <sup>East</sup> Longitude  
 $9^{\circ} 12'$   $9^{\circ} 06 \frac{1}{2}'$

Came in with fine breeze Ship on Port tack, sea -  
 Ranger in sight, at noon lost sight of her. Scatter  
 part. on Starboard tack all sail set.

Thursday August 12<sup>th</sup> S.  $9^{\circ} 15'$  E.  $9^{\circ} 35'$

Came in with light breeze Ship on Starboard tack.  
 Sea Ranger in sight. Scatter part calm. Sea Ranger  
 in sight off Lea Bow.

Friday Aug. 13<sup>th</sup> S.  $9^{\circ} 25'$  E.  $9^{\circ} 20 \frac{1}{4}'$

Came in with little wind on Port tack all day, not  
 doing much to day. Scatter part. on same tack all sail  
 set.

Saturday August 14<sup>th</sup> S.  $9^{\circ} 28'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 41 \frac{1}{4}'$

Came in with good breeze on Port tack. Have been  
 scraping boat craft. Scatter part. a moderate breeze  
 on same tack all sail set, nothing seen.

Sunday August 15<sup>th</sup> S.  $9^{\circ} 50'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 08 \frac{1}{4}'$

Came in fine weather Ship on port tack. Scatter part.  
 on Port tack all sail set.

Monday August 16<sup>th</sup> S.  $9^{\circ} 50'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 08 \frac{1}{4}'$

Came in with light breeze Ship on Port tack. Have been  
 employed breaking out all day, new Hore and  
 Main topsails braces and new Hore brace.  
 Scatter part light wind on same tack.

Tuesday August 17<sup>th</sup> S.  $9^{\circ} 55'$  E.  $7^{\circ} 1 \frac{1}{4}'$

Stowed came in with good breeze Ship on Port tack, stowed  
 down, down our season's work to day 65 bbls. of sperm,  
 65 bbls. Scatter part. on same tack all sail set.  
 2058 gallons

Wednesday August 18<sup>th</sup> S.  $10^{\circ} 20'$  E. —

Sperm came in with strong breeze Ship on Starboard tack  
 woz ship after breakfast. Have been repairing the  
 sky works all day got through at four. Scatter  
 part a light wind on port tack, full and bye.

Thursday August 19<sup>th</sup> S.  $10^{\circ} 30'$  E. —

Came in with fine breeze on Port tack all day  
 not employed doing little odd jobs. Scatter part  
 on same tack all sail set, with fine breeze.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Friday August 28<sup>th</sup> 1880. Latitude <sup>South</sup> 11° 17' Longitude <sup>East</sup> 5° 15' 45" S. E.

Came in with light breeze. Ship close hauled on Port tack. at 12 m. s. t. east, night burst the Fly-jib up to the halyard & was almost repaired it and set it again. Satter part strong breeze on same tack under six topgallants, nothing seen. I began to make up of shoes.

Saturday Aug. 21<sup>st</sup> S. 12° 00' E. 3° 33'

Came in blowing hard, at five this morning, hauled the main topgallant sail, halliards. set the other topsails at noon and took them in at four. Rove now topsail down, royals, Main top gallant halliards spanker out-haul and Fly-jib halliards. Satter part, breeze, hard ship on Port tack three topsail set and courses.

Sunday Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> S. 12° 42' E. 2° 25'

Came in with strong breeze ship on Port tack under lower topsails and courses. Satter part blowing strong ship on same tack, saw Porpoises just now.

Monday Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup> S. 13° 35' E. 1° 09'

Came in blowing brisk. Ship close hauled on Port tack six topsails and courses set. We run some tow line this morning and stowed the run. Satter part the same, same sail out, nothing seen.

Tuesday August 24<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 00' E. 00° 16'

Came in with light breeze set all sail run down Mizzen top sail and repaired it and bent it again, rest of. The day making sunet. Satter part took in Fore top gallant sail and top gallant stay sail and hauled up the main sail, with light breeze on Port tack.

Wednesday Aug 25<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 42' W. 1° 13'

Came in with brisk breeze Steered W by N till night. are now laying under lower topsails and foresail. were busy making splicing lines today.

Thursday August 26<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 12' W. 2° 23'

Came in with good breeze. steered W by N. all day men employed scraping spars. and cleaning up fly port. Satter part, the same, all sail set but Royals.

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New Bedford, Thomas A. Gallett, Captain

Friday August 27th 1880. <sup>South. West.</sup> Latitude  $31^{\circ} 48' 13''$  Longitude  $160^{\circ} 48' 13''$

Came in fine with brisk wind steering N by E. employed slicking up a little, at noon steered WNW at three raised a sail which proved to be the Gay Head, we huffed up to her but did not speak her, so we kept our course all sail set expecting to anchor to morrow.

Saturday Aug. 28th <sup>In Port.</sup> S. W.  
Raised land last night and run down this morning at eight and anchored at about half past. The Jeremiah Perry is laying off and on having taken 300 barrels of sperm, water, Port watch on a run. cleaned the ship inside and out.

Sunday Aug. 29th <sup>In Port.</sup> Saron  
Went gaming to a Norwegian bark and sailed round. Starboard watch on a run.

Monday Aug. 30th <sup>In Port.</sup>  
We worked at the head rigging and a crew worked on the Drago tearing her to pieces.

Tuesday Aug. 31st <sup>In Port.</sup>  
We awoke at work putting up rigging and a crew over to the Drago, at eight I went over to a Dutch ship. A Yankee ship named the Empire came in this forenoon and sailed at night, the Saron sailed also and the German bark Melosmine

There is a flower which blooms in many a hidden spot, It is an emblem of love, that says, Forget me not.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of.

Wednesday September 1<sup>st</sup> 1880, In Port.  
At work setting up rigging and began to  
paint spars. Ship Eliza Adams came to an  
anchor before noon, and they Dutch ship  
Delane sailed, a Yankee passed close to but  
we could not make out his name, at night  
went ashore and then aboard the Eliza.

Thursday Sept 2<sup>d</sup>  
Broke out the after hold and painted a  
little it rained some so ~~we~~ not paint much  
latter. the London ship Berkshire came clos in.  
We went over to the Eliza Adams.

Friday Sept 3<sup>d</sup>  
They finished the after hold and run 140  
bbls. of fresh water. The Bark Basuto got under  
weigh and came very near running into us  
but he let go his anchor again and got clear  
latter. I got walk on a run. Sent my name to the  
F.O.G.

Saturday Sept 4<sup>th</sup>  
Painted some and broke out and run salt  
y. ship water. at noon the Ship Triton came in and  
anchored. she has double topgallant sails fore  
and main, and a main skysail she belongs  
at Boston. her Captain is dead.

Sunday Sept 5<sup>th</sup>  
Went gaming to the Gay Head, the Cooper  
of the Eliza Adams dined with us. At  
night Gay Head's crew aboard

Monday Sept 6<sup>th</sup>  
Two or three boats came in and the Ship  
Carisbrooke Castle laid of and on. We were  
at work painting yards and working in the  
hold, and took in salt and fresh water.

Tuesday Sept 7<sup>th</sup>  
Came in fair weather, we painted some and  
stowed the hold some, and took some wood.

Wednesday Sept 8<sup>th</sup>  
Came in as usual, painted some and worked  
in the hold. the Jeremiah Perry came in and  
anchored.

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New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett, Captain

Thursday Sept. 9th 1880  
Port watch on Liberty. Mr. Peters was married  
to a lady named Everline Ridell of St.  
Helena.

Friday Sept. 10th  
Starboard watch on Liberty we painted some  
and did odd jobs.

Saturday Sept. 11th  
Port watch on Liberty had a good time

Sunday Sept. 12th  
Starboard watch on Liberty, had some visitors  
Casper of the Griza Adams took supper with us  
and So. Moi

Monday Sept. 13th  
Cleaned and painted boats. painted my beackets  
at night went ashore and was initiated to the  
I.O.G.T. P.S. this should be Tuesday the 14th  
Monday we bent sail and other odd jobs.

Wednesday Sept. 15th  
We did about nothing all day at night we  
went ashore. No Sotlie comes to gladden our hearts.

Thursday Sept. 16th  
An American bark, the Alice of Portland  
Main sailed she came in last night.  
Carpenter, Sylvia & Bill Gordon are among the  
missing.

Friday Sept. 17th  
The Sotlie have us sight at daylight and an-  
chored at eleven. a Barkin. Ship called the Mary  
L. Stone of Boston passed, she has 3 skysail yards  
and is 1458 tons burthen, At night our watch on a  
run I sta.

Saturday Sept. 18th  
A good many had boxes but I got none  
not even a letter.

1880

Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Sunday September 19th In Port.  
Port watch on a run. Walter Jones of the fireh  
Perry and myself went to the Tomb and then  
to Long Wood we had a long walk. Went to  
the Hospital to see Marcus Wilcox.

Monday Sept. 20th

I received my pay and am all right now.  
A Yankee ship called the Mercury of New York is  
at anchor.

Tuesday Sept. 21st

Wrote letters and read. They served the main  
stay. Ship Eliza Adams sailed.

Wednesday Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>

All hands at work doing nothing.

Thursday Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>

We are receiving news from the battle.  
The ship Columbia of Bath Maine anchored she  
is 1478 tons, he has his main mast fished below the  
top. He sailed at five o'clock. Discharged Tamaral and  
her ship on the Eliza Adams.

Friday Sept. 24th.

The Brig John D. Noyes of Newburyport Mass.  
passed close in shore 1362 tons. No watch on him.

We are now all ready for sea.

Saturday Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> Sailed.

Came in a fine day at four in the afternoon  
Capt. Ballott came aboard (with his friends,)  
to take his departure we sailed with royals set  
but took in royals and top gallant sails.  
It is now seven we are under topsails and  
courses. Eliza Adams astern. Capt. Howland even  
aboard. Tamaral is to act as fourth mate.

At Sea.

Sunday Sept 26<sup>th</sup>

Came in with good breeze ship by the wind  
on starboard tack. Middle part gained the  
Eliza Adams. Devine went aft to act as boat-  
steerer. Starboard part Capt. Howland just went  
back. We are on starboard tack six top sails  
set and courses.

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New Bedford Thomas A. Hallett Captain  
Monday September 27<sup>th</sup> 1880 <sup>South. West.</sup> Latitude & longitude

Came in with good breeze. Ship on starboard tack  
at seven. Wore round. Eliza Adams in sight.  
Latter part. Wore back at five. Took in flyjib and  
Spanker.

Tuesday Sept 28<sup>th</sup> Off and on.  
Came in fair weather and smart wind stood on  
Port tack all day with topsails and courses set.  
Island off sea shore. Tacked the Eliza Islands.  
Latter part. Capt. Houlden just went back at six or  
half past. Are on some tack same sail set.

Wednesday Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>  
We stood in this morning and the Capt & lady  
went ashore before breakfast. Mr. Peters stayed all  
day but came off at supper time. He brought the  
news that Mr. Vordell, fourth mate of  
Eliza Adams, died this morning and was buried  
in the afternoon, ( ): Mr. Walker took two sights  
finding the error of chronometer to be 25 minutes and  
53 seconds fast.

Thursday Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>  
Stood on starboard tack all day under topsails  
& courses at five thirty. Tacked ship.

Friday Sept 31<sup>st</sup>  
Stand that take to taking  
U throw my.

Stand that take to taking  
U throw my.

Music hath charms,  
To heal the sick and sooth the savage  
& split a rock, and crack a cabbage.

1880

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Friday October 1<sup>st</sup> 1880 <sup>South</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitude & Longitude

Came in fair ship on Sto Port tack at nine raised the Eliza Adams, run off to her. Mr. Belmont came on board, and several yankee chaps. Scatter Part. were ship close to the I. and. C. C. boat just left here.

Saturday October 2<sup>d</sup> Off and On.

Came in with good weather. Mr. Walker went in at half past seven. we laid off and on till half past five when Capt. Hillott came aboard and we started off. I guess for good we heard nothing of Syria. I got a letter from home. Fin Sarah Perry sailed

Sunday Oct. 3<sup>d</sup>

Came in fair. steering N. all sail set. at night set all three royals with good breeze.

Monday October 4<sup>th</sup> 17° 00'

Came in fair, steering N. kept off N by N. carried all sail all day. Crew employed cleaning up paint work and odd jobs. Scatter the same. N.B. Had frequent rain squalls. short and bright.

Tuesday October 5<sup>th</sup> 17° 58'

Came in fine weather but with frequent squalls of light rain. Have been at work painting the bulwarks and other wood work. steering N by N. all day with all sail set.

Wednesday Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> 18° 30' N 17° 21'

Came in fine and kept so all day. steered N by N. all sail set. Finished up painting and the packet looks knobs. Scatter part. the same set. the fore & main royals.

Thursday Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> 18° 45' N. 20° 21'

Came in fine and kept so all day. painted a little bit. some holidays. Scatter part. loosed the royals. steering N by N.

New Bedford, Thomas A. Gallett Captain

~~Wednesday~~ <sup>(mistake)</sup> October 8th 1880. <sup>South, West</sup> Latitude & Longitude

Friday S.  $16^{\circ} 50' N.$   $125^{\circ} 20'$

Came in fine steered W by N. all day all sail set  
employed at odd jobs. Scatter set the royals.  
very light breeze.

Saturday October 9th S.  $19^{\circ} 00' N.$   $22^{\circ} 05'$

Came in almost calm and by noon was dead  
calm steered W by N. at night set the royals  
and sailed the same with not a breath of air.

Sunday October 10th S. W.

Came in calm steered N. by N. at noon it  
clouded over so we got no observations. it  
finback then began to blow and blew strong. At about  
three they raised & finback which we thought  
were sperm whales blowing hard took in top  
gallant sails and N. by N. at night set  
the main top gallant sail.

Monday Oct. 11th S.  $19^{\circ} 16' N.$   $24^{\circ} 57'$

Came in clear and fine with brisk wind  
all sail set steering W by N. we did nothing all  
day. Scatter parts nice breeze the royals set.

Tuesday October 12th S.  $19^{\circ} 58' N.$   $27^{\circ} 27'$

Came in fine with brisk breeze, three sails  
in sight. S. by N. we tacked to on port tack  
Sails all two kept off again W. S. W. Scatter  
part took in top gallant sail, painted over  
iron work.

Wednesday Oct. 13th S.  $20^{\circ} 39' N.$   $28^{\circ} 20'$

Came in fair weather. Ship on port tack at  
six raised the Martin V. Rocks. and at  
seven thirty, raised Trinidad Islands, two  
boats went in fishing but did not do much.  
Saw a merchant ship bound north.  
Regulated our times and found the error of  
the turnips, as follows.

Error of French Chronometer, 43'-50" slow  
Error of English Chronometer, 26'-36" fast  
French & losing 3" per day  
English gaining 2" per day.

Sunset, Longitude  $29^{\circ} 18' \frac{1}{4}$

1880

Remarks on board Ship Niger, of  
Thursday October 14<sup>th</sup> 1880 <sup>S. 22° 05' W. 29° 17'</sup> Latitude & Longitude

Cruising off to the N.W. of the Island, which  
is in sight. This morning about eight a  
merchant ship call'd the Ludwig Holberg  
of <sup>run down to us</sup> said when Capt. H. hailed him, I no stan-  
English, he is bound home.

Friday October 15<sup>th</sup> <sup>S. 22° 05' W. 29° 17'</sup>  
Came in fine, by the wind in Port tacks after  
breakfast sent down the Royal Yards and put  
up the hoops. bent a new main topgallant  
lant sail, a new foresail and foretop-sail,  
and repaired the mainsail. latter part took  
in top g. Sails, and hauled up the Courses.

Saturday October 16<sup>th</sup> <sup>S. 22° 50' W. 28° 38'</sup>  
Came in with very light breeze which died  
out calm. squared the yards. Steered S by E.  
lost the trade winds. bent a new main  
top sail and did odd jobs, sent down the  
main H. G. S. sail and stowed it away. bent  
the fore stay sail.

Sunday October 17<sup>th</sup> <sup>S. 23° 32' W. 28° 20'</sup>  
Fine weather all day. stayed S by E all day,  
at night took in light sails. Saw  
ship off ship bound probably round the bay.  
George broke his leg last night the small  
bone.

Monday Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> <sup>S. 23° 32' W. 28° 20'</sup>  
Came in with light wind run S.W. under  
topsails, by noon had her under lower  
topsails and foresails. Been at work making  
new fib pennant and fly fib pennants, also at  
work rigging fore and main reef tackles  
latter part. Took in fore sail and  
mizzen top sail and hove to on port tack.  
A large bark passed by bound for the  
Cape I suppose. Fine 7 o'clock. it rains  
brick shot and blows brisk, in sharp  
squalls.

New Bedford Thomas A. Hallett, Captain

Tuesday October 19<sup>th</sup> 80. <sup>South</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitudes Longt.  
26° 20' - 28° 10'

Came in fine, by noon had all sail set.  
Standing on Starboard tack, when at work  
doing a great deal of nothing,rove reef  
tackles and aired lashings. That's all.  
Scatter part took in light sail, and  
mainail, and hauled up the foresail.

Wednesday Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> S. 26° 20' W. 27° 51'

Came in good weather, and calm. Ship  
close hauled on Port tack all sail set.  
Employed making & preventer guys for  
the jibbing and repairing cutting guy  
blocks. Scatter part, hauled the top gallant  
sails, and hauled up the courses, and same  
tack dead, calm headed N. by N.  
(I have had a sick headache all day)

Thursday Oct. 21<sup>th</sup> S. 26° 20' W. 27° 49'

Came in fine but calm. Ship on Starboard  
tack all sail set. Took the S.B. Boat onto  
the house and unrigged the davits.  
Middle part coal tar'd the straps to the  
forward deadeyes. Scatter part, saw a sail  
on starboard bow. Wore ship, still calm  
all sail set.

Friday October 22<sup>nd</sup> S. 26° 37' W. 28° 14'

Came in calm all sail set on Port tack at  
noon squared the yards and kept S.W.  
have been employed coal-tar'ing chains.  
Scatter part the same steering the same.

Saturday October 23<sup>rd</sup> S. 26° 12' W. 29° 45<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

Came in blowing fresh, and still increasing  
took in light sails, steering S.W. At four  
Sail, raised a large lone whale one mile off weather  
began to and tried to get up to him  
but lost sight of him. Scatter part are hove to  
on Starboard tack, saw one sail.

Sunday Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> S. 28° 35' W. 30° 00<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

Came in with strong wind steered S.W.  
all day on Starboard tack, at night wore  
ship and hove to under lower top sails

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Monday October 25<sup>th</sup> 1880. <sup>South. West</sup> Latitude & longitude  
 $S. 28^{\circ} 55' N. 29^{\circ} 46'$

Came in blowing a gale of wind. Ship on  
Port tack under fore & main top sails, wore ship  
at six and took the Bow and Waist boats onto  
the second fleet. had no men at masthead till  
after four at night. Then we set mizzen top  
sail, foreail, main spinnaker and main top  
mast stay sail. it is quite good weather. Ship  
is now on Port tack under the above sail.

W.B. 32 bbls.

Tuesday October 26<sup>th</sup> S. 28° 00' N. 29° 31'  
Came in fine set everything and  
squared in the yards steering S.W. nothing  
happened till just as the first table was to  
supper then Shoemaker raised sperm whales  
lowered and Mr. Peters got one there were 304.  
They got him alongside at about eight took in  
all sail but main and mizzen top sails.

Wednesday Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> S. 27° 48' N. 30° 33'  
Commenced cutting at daylight and got  
through by half past seven. Started the  
works after dinner. Fine weather all day.  
carried six top sails, latter part took in upper  
topsails and jibs. Ship close hauled on Starboard  
tack boiling. Nothing seen to day.

Thursday Oct 28<sup>th</sup> S. 27° 52' N. 30° 43'  
Fine weather all day stood on Port tack  
all day all sail set. Finished boiling before  
noon and got snug. Raised a sperm whale  
at six ran towards him till seven then  
took in sail for the night on same tack

Friday October 29<sup>th</sup> S. 28° 00' N. cloudy  
Stowed down all day and kept so all day  
Came in fine and kept so all day  
carried all sail till night then took in all  
but lower top sail; dead calm all now on  
Port tack. Stowed down all this forenoon  
Sperm stowed thirty two barrels.

Saturday Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> S. N.

New Bedford. Thomas A. Gallett, Captain  
 Saturday October 30<sup>th</sup> <sup>South</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitude <sup>Longitude</sup>  
~~27° 40'~~



Came in exceedingly fine  
 with gentle breeze, at half past.  
 five Mr. Marshall raised sperm whales to  
 windward worked up, and lowered at about  
 eight, pulled to windward and, Mr. Peters  
 got one, about 60 barrels. Got him alongside  
 at half past two and finished him at  
 about seven, then wore ship and had supper.  
 are now on Starboard tack under three  
 top sails and foresail, almost calm.

Sunday October 31<sup>st</sup> <sup>S 27° 40' W 32° 04'</sup>  
 Came in fair, set the jib wind increased so  
 we took in jib and fore topsail. saw white  
 water twice but it amounted to nothing.  
 started the works at daylight.  
 latter part. Boiling on Starboard tack  
 the same said set.  
 So ends the month of October on board the  
 Ship Niger.

Let us each be up and doing.  
 With a heart for any fate,  
 Still achieving, still pursuing,  
 Learn to labor and to wait.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of.

Monday November 1st 1880 <sup>South. West.</sup> Latitude Longitude

Came in blowing heavy Ship on Starboard tack under lower main top sail. fuzashed boiling at seven then we washed deck.

Later part. blowy and rainy, two top. sails set. on same tack; we steered off all day got no sites.

Tuesday Nov. 2d S. W.

Came in calm but rainy, commenced stowing down at daylight stowed, 43 barrels  $25\frac{1}{2}$  gals. Stowed out through at noon; broke out water <sup>after noon</sup> down weather deck rainy and dirty got no sites. 43 bbls. Later Part. the same took in sail ship  $25\frac{1}{2}$  gall. on Port tack. dead calm.

Wednesday Nov. 3d S.  $28^{\circ} 08' N.$ 

Sperm Came in blowing fresh and raining, dirty and unpleasant. Ship on Starboard tack. Later part wore ship and hove to under lower main top sail still raining

Thursday Nov. 4. S.  $28^{\circ} 05' N. 30^{\circ} 30'$ 

Came in fine with light wind Ship on Starboard tack loosed all sail. after noon it cleared off fine and sunny. Later part took in sail and wore ship.

Friday Nov 5th S.  $27^{\circ} 30' N. 30^{\circ} 08'$ 

Came in fine carried all sail till three then furled top gallant sails; a large tree passed <sup>near</sup> by us it was covered with bayicles it was <sup>long</sup> Later part took in topsails and jibs.

Saturday Nov 6th S. W.

Came in fair steering S. S. W. all day topsail and courses set. saw some killers. Later part set the N. N. E. sail, steering the same.

Sunday Nov 7th S.  $31^{\circ} 10' N. 31^{\circ} 45'$ 

Came in with brisk wind full sail set. at sea took in top gallant sail. set them again. at three steered. S. S. W. Later part the same brisk wind

New Bedford Thomas A. Hallett, Captain  
Monday November 8<sup>th</sup> 1880. Latitude <sup>South.</sup> Longitude <sup>West.</sup>  
33° 57' N. 31° 32'

Came in fine carried all sail steering S by N.  
Scatter part same. took in light sail top sail  
and main sail. caught one porpoise.

Tuesday Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> S. 35° 15' N. 30° 32'  
Came in fine set everything at daylight steering  
at four saw a whale they thought was a  
sperm but he was a finback. Scatter part. took  
in sail and got another Porpoise.

Wednesday Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> S. 35° 00' N. 29° 00'  
Came in fair. steered to the S. & E. all day with  
all sail set. took in the Mainsail at three.  
Scatter part. took in sail at night and come to on  
Starboard tack. saw finbacks and porpoises.

Thursday Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> S. 35° 22' N. 27° 6'  
Came in nice weather but bracing cold set all sail  
on Starboard tack heading S. S. by E. struck  
three Porpoises, saved two. Scatter part. took in  
sail on same tack.

Friday Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> S. 35° 10' N.  
Came in fine set all sail steering S. N. by E. till  
after noon then S. N. by N. caught a shark with  
a line this morning. just before dinner Capt.  
caught a Gony. He put a piece canvas around  
his neck, with the ship's name and date, and let  
him go again. We got no sight for longitude.

Saturday Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 45' N. 26° 48'  
Came in blowing a gale took in Mizen topsail  
at daylight; before noon had course and jib  
set. Scatter part same sail out close hauled  
on Port tack. stiff wind. Saw several Finbacks  
and right whale feed.

Sunday November 14<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 10' N. 28° 00'  
Came in blowing easy set all sail on Port  
tack. saw a sail off leeward quarter which  
proved to be the Gage Head. Capt. Michell  
came here a few minutes he was stowing  
down having taken 90 bbls. since leaving  
port. Scatter. took in all but lower top sail  
and stood boats clew watches.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Monday November 15<sup>th</sup> South Latitude 35° 25' S. Longitude 28° 36 $\frac{1}{2}$  W.

Came in blowy but died away till at two had the three top gallant sails on her. struck and sawd a Porpoise. Saw a good many fiz-backs. Lat. after. saw a sail off weather bow but she is not in sight now; took in sail and stand quarter watches.

Tuesday Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> S. W.

Sail

Came in threatening inclement weather. Lowered top sail set. off up the Gay Head, she was close to us after breakfast. before noon took in fore and mizzen top sail. Lat. after part, blows heavy, took the Starboard boat up on the upper deck, are on Port tack under storm sails.

Wednesday Nov 17<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 20' W. 28° 10'

Came in fair; set all sail at five and stood along on port tack. repaired the sheathing by the gunwass this forenoon and put on rattin at the pole. Lat. after part wild, took in sail on Starboard tack.

Thursday Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> S. 35° 55' W. 28° 37'

Came in blowy shift on Starboard tack, wore ship at six and set the jib and main sail. sent down the lower mizzen top sail repaired it again and bent it. Thall all we did. Lat. after part on port tack.

Friday Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> S. 35° 05' W. 28° 30'

Sail

Came in fine set the top sail in the night, a large Merchantman passed in the middle watch. repaired sheathing to day our cooler holds four and one half barrels below the faucet. Lat. after part calm but quite heavy swell. took in top gallant sail and main sail and foy jib

Saturday Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 10' W. 28° 44'

Sail

Came in exceedingly fine. set top gallant sail and staved off. At 8 AM raised a sail which was the Chavoral from La parso to N. Y. with a cargo of Salt Peter. Mr. Walker went to her and carried some letters. Lat. part calm all sail out on Starboard tack quarter watches

\* Of Liverpool

New Bedford Thomas A. Hallett Captain  
Sunday November 21<sup>st</sup> 1880. <sup>Sabath</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitude  $36^{\circ} 10'$  Longitude  $27^{\circ} 34'$

Came in fine all sail set steered E by S took in top gallant sails at four o'clock. Bowing fresh. saw nothing. latter part breezy took in all but lower top sails and hove to on starboard tack.

Monday Nov. 22<sup>d</sup> S W  
Came in foggy. set the jib mainsail and topsails runned all day at times. broke out water this forenoon. got no sites. latter part are on port tack. under lower top sails almost calm and clearing off. caught one porpoise

Tuesday Nov. 23<sup>d</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 35'$  W.  $25^{\circ} 58\frac{1}{2}$   
Came in foggy. but cleared set all sail and steered E by N and E. at night raised a sail on weather bow. latter part took in sail and voyage on to Starboard tack. saw several sulphur bottoms.

Wednesday Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> S.  $36^{\circ} 15'$  W.  $25^{\circ} 47'$   
Came in fine set all sail on Port tack. saw six or seven fin backs and bottoms. a bark supposed to be the Alice Knowles passed on the star tack this forenoon. latter part took in sail lead calm. last night that bark bore straight for us at eight we burned a torch so she set her lights and huffed and went astern.

Thursday Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> S.  $36^{\circ} 34'$  W.  
Came in a beautiful Thanksgiving. raised Jib. a sail at daylight which proved to be the Alice Knowles we gained at ten and Capt & Mrs. Hallett went aboard her mate went back at half past seven. took in all sail but lower top sail. lead calm; caught two right whale porpoise.

Friday November 26<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 45'$  W.  $25^{\circ} 54'$   
Came in fine set all sail at daylight by ten it blew up so we took in all but lower topsail and courses. the next noon we saw whales we thought were "somethin'" but they were finbacks. latter part took in the courses and were ship are now on port tack. quarter watches.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Saturday November 27<sup>th</sup> 1880. Latitude<sup>South</sup> Longit<sup>West</sup>

37° 25' 25° 26'

Came in foggy but cleared off set all sail before noon. it was kind of rainy at times but at four it cleared off fine. Patter part took in sail are on port tack calm and fine.

Sunday Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> S 37° 20' W 24° 47'  
Came in bad calm so did not set any sail till after breakfast then set all sail, on port tack at four in the afternoon tacked ship and at seven wore back and took in sail, calm but foggy.

Monday Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> S W  
Came in kind of rainy and kept so; it lit up several times. saw some blackfish and dropt the Starboard boat but had good luck and did not get any. Patter part blowing a gale have too on Starboard tack under fore and main, top sails and storm stay sails. raining hard

Tuesday Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> S W  
Came in stormy & blew like lime. bat died out by noon had Main and Mizzen top gallant sails on her. raised a sail which proved to be the Eliza Adams so we gamed. lime nine at night. the boat has just came back. ship is now on Port tack four top sails set. light breeze so ends the month of November on board the Clipper Ship Niger of New Bedford.

New Bedford Thomas A. Gallett, Captain  
Wednesday December 1<sup>st</sup> 1880. <sup>South. West.</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
37° 45' 26° 25'

Sail. Came in blowing and raining set the upper top  
sails but took them in right away. saw the  
Eliza astern. Scatter part wore ship are now on  
port tack under storm sails.

Thursday December 2<sup>d</sup> S. 36° 35' N. 26° 22'  
Came in fine set all sail on Port tack  
after breakfast bent a new reefs Main top  
sail and second hand fore top sail. After noon  
Sail repaired the upper Mizzen top sail. wore ship.  
Scatter part sent down Main sail and furled  
upper top sails and fore sail. Eliza Adams in  
sight all day.

Little drops of water.

Little grains of sand.

Are all well enough to talk

about this hole is where over 12<sup>th</sup> S. 37°  
out of the little nearly drops of wind & sun  
struck and made a little & one fluke  
place.

... got another

Friday December 3<sup>d</sup> S. 36° 57' N. 25° 42<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>  
This day came in fine set all sail and steered  
E by S. repaired Main sail and bent it. Eliza in  
Sail. sight to leeward. Scatter steered E by N. raised  
another sail off lee bow run for her till sunset  
then took in sail and came to on Starboard  
tack. fine weather.

Saturday Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 55' N. 24° 25'  
Came in fine and bright set all sail and steered  
E by N. at three PM Eliza Adams came  
down and Capt. H. Winslow came aboard here  
Boats are still farming. To day we repaired  
the Mizzen top gallant sail. Nine quarter past  
ten boat just left. fine weather.

Sunday December 5<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 40' N. 24° 25'  
Came in fine and kept so all day. steered N.  
E by N. all sail set. Eliza in sight. Scatter  
part took in sail for the course having are now  
on Starboard tack. almost calm.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Monday December 6th 1860 South Latitude 37° 30' West Longitude 23° 42'

Came in fine steered S by W till noon then kept S W by S. Eliza & Adams run to leeward of us. Went down the upper main top sail and cut sail a piece off the foot of it struck a porpoise. Satter part took in sail on starboard tack headed N. N. W.

Tuesday December 7th S W

Came in bad weather and kept so. carried three topsails all day, got no sites. Eliza in sight to leeward. Satter are now on Port tack cleared up. have the foresail set.

Go down and strike him! you  
say of a d—  
and boat but See you loud miss him, he  
is. Satter h. lays like a log  
Starboard tack. You shipped to strike him  
and storm. Strike him you must.  
If you don't strike him  
you kick up a dust.

Tuesday

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Wednesday Dec. 8th S. 37° 05' W. 25° 27'

Came in breezy but bright blew hard all day carried three top sails and foresail. wore ship twice. Satter first. are now close hauled on starboard tack Eliza & Adams to leeward it is moderate with heavy seas.

Thursday Dec. 9th S. 37° 45' W. 24° 4'

Came in fine. set all sail and steered E. At four in the afternoon raised right whale, lowered and Mr. Peters struck one and killed him so quick he sunk. Satter part. the Eliza gone to us and Capt. Howland came here stayed till nine. it is a fine evening calm and warm. so let it be

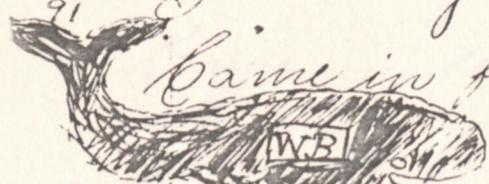
Friday Dec 10th S. 37° 45' W 24° 01'

Came in fine set all sail and steered E by N. saw plenty of finbacks. at five at night lowered for a right whale off weather beam chased him till half past seven but (got him not.) took in sail on starboard tack

New Bedford, Thomas A. Gallett, Captain.

Saturday December 11<sup>th</sup> 1880 <sup>South</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitude & Longitude.

37° 37' 24° 15'



Came in fair but strong breeze saw plenty of whales and after breakfast lowered for right whales they went to windward and it came on squally so called the boats back Mr. Peters carried away the steps to his mast and when Mr. Walker come he got under the counter and got stove her wood ends started off entirely on port bow. it soon lowered again but came back again, whaler went to windward. at one lowered for two off lea bow and the second mate got a large one, they had a hard job of killing him. Latlier brought him alongside at five took in tongue and lip and hove to under main and mizzen top sails, on starboard tack.

Sunday December 12<sup>th</sup> S 37° 38' W 24° 08'

Came in fine with heavy wind & swell, called all hands at four, started one fluke chain but the first chain held, so we got another on and were round, got the head, in at seven and ate breakfast, finished the body at quarter of ten, all snug at eleven. Latlier, part up the ship three top sails set fine, weather boiling merrily.

Monday Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> S 37° 52' W 24° 02'

Came in fine still sail on starboard tack, raised a sail which proved to be the Eliza Adams, she run by us. Latlier part, drove ship at five and at seven took in said brisk breeze, the Eliza run down and Capt. Howland came aboard here, he has just gone, they have not seen anything since we started last.

Tuesday Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> S. W.

Came in kind of thick, set upper top sails and cleaned up rug some oil in the tank. Eliza Adams to leeward she got one whale and drove ship and got ready to eat, a black bark run down which was thought was from home but proved to be the Sunbeam Capt. Gabel, he came aboard here. Fine half past nine lowered the starboard boat and put Capt. Gabel aboard his ship.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of O  
Wednesday December 15<sup>th</sup> South West. Latitude & Longitude

Came in thick but not blowing hard. called  
all hands fit fire and began to stow down  
stowed 91 bbls. got through at twelve and got  
all stowed back by four. it rained all the after-  
noon, and began to blow. Scatter, set fore stay  
sail and hauled the foresail and mizzen topsail  
bbls on port tack. saw one sail this morning.

<sup>Clouds</sup> <sup>79</sup> Thursday December 16<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 35' N. 24° 37'  
Came in threatening but cleared off fine saw  
several finbacks and three sail carried all  
ail sail toward three. it died off dead calm  
Scatter part the same. took in sail on port  
starboard tack.

<sup>Clouds</sup> Friday December 17<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 32' N. 24° 37'  
Came in fine, set all sail on starboard tack  
still dead calm, stow three sail to leeward  
sugt in the jib and fly jib and bent others  
Scatter part still calm. set the quarter watch  
with all sail set. saw porpoises

<sup>Clouds</sup> Saturday December 18<sup>th</sup> S. 38° 35' N. 24° 02'  
Came in fine made all sail, and steered S. by  
West. saw one whale water before breakfast  
luffed for it but it was of no account.  
Hiddle part, saw another which proved  
to be finbacks. the <sup>1/2</sup> jib up to windward  
at three began to blow and at half past  
four took in all but lower topsails and  
hove to. Scatter part took in fore and mizzen  
top sails are now hove to on starboard  
tack under main top sail and storm stay  
sails.

<sup>Clouds</sup> Sunday Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> S. 38° 38' N. 24° 13'  
Came in fine past blowing hard. Ship on  
starboard tack at daylight set the foretop  
sail and at eight had lower top sail and  
foresail & jib on her, and wore ship at noon  
set the <sup>1/2</sup> jib sail. gained the Elliza scattered  
all the afternoon till seven then took  
in courses and hove to on port tack. saw  
several finbacks and flocks of small birds  
Time few. boat just gone back.

Gann  
Ship  
Bark  
Stow  
of an  
Bottle  
Book

New Bedford. Thomas A. Gallett Captain

Monday December 20th 1880. South West  
Latitude 38° 30' Longitude 23° 25'



Came in fine and good breeze made all sail on port tack, wore ship at nine. Eliza went off on the other tack. At half past 12 raised two whalers off leeward lowered and the Mate got him he died easy, got him alongside at about three, and hauled him at half past 8, eight, Eliza Adams run back till she saw there was not any for her so she cleared out to the windward. Scatter part are snugger up. fine weather.

Tuesday December 21st S. 38° 30' W. 23° 17'

Came in threatening ship on port tack; raining at six we're ship at seven began to blow so wore back again and took in fore & mizzen top sails at nine furled the foresail and set it at eleven again; Scatter Part. it is trying to be respectable weather now, on same tack bellying merrily

Wednesday Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> S. 37° 45' W. 23° 41'

Came in fine but rainy at ten set the upper top sails and took a load on Port tack & once raised, at sail out weather bow which proved to be the Eliza gained till eight at night, took in top sail and top gallants, fine weather, on Starboard tack the Eliza is to windward and another to leeward, got done boiling at one and all cleared up & turned up 100 bbls & 17 qals. sent home a letter by Hammond in the Louisa. she off bound home from here

Thursday Dec 23<sup>rd</sup> S. W.

Came in fine set all sail on Port tack and began to blow down, Eliza run off to leeward of us at three squared in and steered S. & E. four ships kept off S. W. Middle part passed a carcass; and saw two ships one the Eliza and one bark supposed to be the Milton, and two barks. Stowed, stowed down 90 bbls and 22 qals and cleaned down all up, at four began to blow and rain 90 bbls. It now blows a gale ship hove to on 19 qals. Starboard tack under fore and main top sails. Stowed 2854 gallons

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
South West  
Friday December 24<sup>th</sup> 1880 Latitude & Longitude

Came in rough and windy ship hove to on  
Starboard tack while under main topsail  
steered south a little while but luffed again  
on Starboard tack. Scatter part still blowing  
set the mizzen topsail and foresail on port  
tack, saw a seal this morning and some  
fin backs killed a few.

Saturday December 25<sup>th</sup> S. 39° 15' N. 23° 51'  
Came in heavy and strong ship on Starboard  
tack raining and disagreeable. Christmas  
at two it began to clear up. Set the foresail & mizzen  
topsails, had the foresail set all day at four  
set the main-top-mast-staysail and were  
ship. Scatter part the same saw some fin  
backs.

Sunday December 26<sup>th</sup> S. 38° 00' N. 22° 51'  
Came in heavy but cleared up steered N.E.  
set the topsails and top-gallantsails at two  
it began to rain and luffed hard till five  
at three took in H.G. Sails and upper top  
sails and mainsail and luffed to on Starboard  
tack raised a sail off lee bow, saw plenty  
of finbacks. it is now fine weather.

Monday Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 45' N. 22° 08'  
Came in fine but blowy ship on port  
tack squared in and run till eleven then  
were roundy and higged for the morning  
Star Capt. Howles he could hear, saw some  
finbacks. Scatter part fine and calm, time  
ten. Capt. E. H. May just gone home. are now  
steering

Tuesday Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 45' N. 20° 29'  
Came in fine steering. E.S.C. carried all sail  
all day in the forenoon Capt. Gallett went  
to the Morning Star and brought back some  
papers. Scatter part. Fine weather ship sliding  
along nicely the same course, N.E. up on  
port beam almost out of sight.  
Men at work scraping spars and served the  
port top-mast staysail parchment.

New Bedford, Thomas A. Gallett, Captain

Wednesday December 29th<sup>th</sup> <sup>South.</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitude  $38^{\circ} 05'$  Longitude  $W 59^{\circ}$

Came in fine all sail set steering E.S.E till noon then  
tacked to S. Morning Star on lee bow. hove  
the patent log, hauled the same, brisk breeze all sail  
set. Saw some penguins.



Thursday December 30th<sup>th</sup> <sup>W</sup>

Sail. Sailed bearing E.S.E. distance sixteen miles.  
Came in fine but thick to leeward, had all  
sail set steering E. at Eleven raised some of  
the Tristan group, and at half past twelve,  
raised flocks, lowered the three boats and  
chased till two then it came in, squally and  
we lost sight of him, a large ship passed  
nation unknown, it now blows hard ship  
hove to on starboard tack, under fore and  
main top sails. lost sight of the Morning  
Star, last night. Sailed 150 miles from three  
o'clock yesterday to 12 to day by the patent log



Friday December 31st  $S 37^{\circ} 22'$

I am sorry I can't make the rest.

This day came in fine, set all sail ship  
on port tack, at nine raised right whales  
close to wore ship and lowered chased them  
till dark, then lost sight of them it being  
squally come aboard and lowered again  
at half past two and chased till nearly  
dark, they were large whales go onto them  
almost naked enough to dart two or three  
times, third whale carried away his mast  
thought this forenoon. After part took  
up sail and laid to on port tack a  
Penguin followed the ship, some time,  
this afternoon, strong wind

So ends this day and year on board the  
A. L. Clipper Ship Niger.

Where will we all be in 1891.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Crew List August 7<sup>th</sup> 1878

Nantucket	Thomas A. Gaffett, Capt. Mass. of Nantucket Mass.	Captain
Sag Harbor, N.Y.	Mooses D. Walker Sag Harbor, N.Y.	First Officer
	Sag Harbor, N.Y.	Second "
	Samuel Peters	Third "
	T. Gay Head, N.W. Mass.	Fourth "
	Taylor J. Morse	Cooper
	J. Matapoisett Regis.	Steward
	Warren Marshall	Cook
	St. George, N.Y.	Carpenter
	James Luhomny New Bedford Mass	Blacksmith
	Domingo Carter	
	Island of Guam, Willet Lopez See page 117	
	John R. Royes	
	Brava C.W.F.	
	Jacob Temple, Dumbarton N.H.	
	Bremidg. Germany	
	Boatsteers.	
	William Glassen, S.W. S.B.	
	N.Y. City	
	James D. Fricker, P.W. B.B.	See page 96.
	Robert Simmons, S.W. W.B.	
	Bermudas.	
	Joe. Brava C.W.F.	See page 117 and home <u>sick</u> .
	Foremasthands	
	Henry H. Gardner	Nantucket Mass.
	Grafton Devine	See page 86 Gay Head.
	Vicent De Grace	Starboard Watch C.W.F.
	Charles W. Sylvia	See page 95 Nantucket
	Julius Lechner	Germany
	John White	Port Watch. General Albany N.Y.
	Marceline De Barrow	See page 660.
	Serafine De Parrozo	S.W. <sup>137</sup> <sub>run away Apr 13<sup>th</sup> 1878</sub> See page
	Manuel Joseph Peters	Carvo, P.W.F.
	Manuel S. Sylvia	Graciosa P.W.F.
	Francisco Joseph	Pico P.W.
	S. W.	See page 76

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Frank Morgan S.W. Ambo Bay, see page 170  
William Gordon P.W. Fugii Islands  
James Howland P.W. (see below) Mangu  
Louis Gómez P.W. St. Michel W.I.  
Josie Navis P.W. Brava C.V.F.  
Iphip, Caridad S.W.  
Ellwood B. Crum, S.W. See page 48. Nantucket  
William Carter, Cabin boy. See page 48. New Bedford.  
W. Wallace James. Strange boy. See page 65 Gay Head

Shipped at Fayal.

George Praia }  
Estebine G. Sylvia } Starboard Watch  
Manuel Cora }  
Manuel C. Rosa )  
Plartes Lopeg )  
Thomas Luther } Port.  
John Sylvia } See page 31<sup>st</sup>

Shipped at St. Page.  
Josie Ogdose, Cook, Frank Lopez to steer the  
vessel when we discharged from St. Fayal, he had  
gone home in the Scottish Beard with a hurt foot,  
and Jim Howland shifted Cook

Shipped at St. Helena Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> 1880.  
from O'Neal, foremast hand, discharged see page 137  
April 16<sup>th</sup> 1881, Edward W. Gaddard, of Southampton  
England, shipped before the mast, deserted  
September 26<sup>th</sup> 1881 see page 173.  
St. Helena October 1881  
Discharged Frank Lopez, and Jacob Temple, see page 177.  
and shifted

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Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Saturday January 1<sup>st</sup> 1861 <sup>South.</sup> Latitude <sup>West</sup> Longitude

Came in fair and sprinkly at seven set all sail, and steered E. raised Island at half past three, saw the Inaccessible and Nightingale Islands. latter part, took in top gallant sails and hauled up the courses ship on port tack S. and bearing E. by N. Ship reading N. N. W. distant 16 miles

Sunday January 2<sup>d</sup>

Came in fine, with blowy Island of Agistan off to leeward very blowy and sent the second and third mates fishing, no boat came here as it was so rough, boat came back at two with about 150 fish. Scatter part are now on port tack keeping off shore, under lower top sails and foresail. Blowy like saw hill. Got three sets and found the error to be 33 minutes and 52 seconds.

Monday January 3<sup>d</sup>

Came in fine with sharp wind stood in and the Native & fourth mate went fishing got back at seven with fine fares at noon we stood in and at two a boat came here from shore and Capt. J. H. W. lowered the bow boat and went in he got almost as many potatoes as he wanted and expected to get the rest tomorrow, and a gylock, but it blew up and we stood off steering E. S. E. under lower top sails took in all the rest at nine took in main top sail are now running the same with two topsails and foresail set blowing a bit of a breeze. There has been 14 whalers in here this season

Tuesday January 4<sup>th</sup> S.

W.

Came in blowing like fine and a very heavy sea running still steering E. S. E. two top sails set employed all the forenoon cleaning and salting fish. Middle part staved S. E. & E. Scatter part steering E. N. E. set the foresail. very rough often shifting seas fore and aft. Had about 8 barrels of fish.

New Bedford, Thos A. Hallett, Captain

Wednesday January 5<sup>th</sup> 1881. Latitude  $36^{\circ} 12'$  South. Longitude  $66^{\circ} 36'$  West.

Came in fine but blowy, steered E. S. E. all day saw nothing. Lost a hen overboard, Scatter part, has moderated blowy so we have six topsails set, and are steering the same, struck a porpoise but threw him to the onions, Morgan off duty

Thursday January 6<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 05'$  W. Cloudy.

Came in fine with a young wind all square sails set with fine breeze, steering E. S. E. spent the forenoon picking over foot toes. Scatter part, steering S. E. by S. breeze very light got no longitude.

Friday January 7<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 25'$  W.  $00^{\circ} 15'$

Came in fine, steering S. E. at ten it increased so that we hauled top gallant sails and upper top sails. Middle part set the upper fore and main topsails again, weather very sharp. Scatter part, the sun: steering the same.

Saturday January 8<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 55'$  E.  $1^{\circ} 19'$

Came in fine, steering S. E. all sail set at daylight. Middle part, almost calm. Scatter part, braced sharp on Port tack heading S. Dead calm all sail set. Saw nothing and did a good deal of the same thing.

Sunday January 9<sup>th</sup> S.  $38^{\circ} 10'$  E.  $3^{\circ} 05'$

Came in fine with sharp wind it about eight took in top gallant, sails and upper top sails at eight flushed the mainsail and jib and hove to with ship on Port tack heading S. by E. and E. S. E. Scatter part still on same tack under fore and main top sails, plenty of finbacks and some feed and porpoises.

Monday January 10<sup>th</sup> S.  $38^{\circ} 10'$  E.  $4^{\circ} 28'$

Came in blowing hard ship heading E. N. E. or worse ship to leeward, and set fore top Port tack sail, by noon had six topsails and courses set. Scatter part, ship on starboard tack heading E. S. E. weather moderated some took in all but lower top sails.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger off

Tuesday January 11<sup>th</sup> 1851. Latitude <sup>South West</sup> ~~Longitude~~ 38° 05' 58" 57'

Came in fine ship on Starboard tack, set all sail at daylight, at seven send the Mainsail down reefed it and beat it at one. Steered E. S. E. all the afternoon part; fine took in all but lower top sail and wore ship, are now on port tack fine weather, saw some killers. see page W. 135

Wednesday forward 12<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 50' E. 6° 39'

Came in fine ship and calm, set all sail and steered E. S. E. the jib stay parted, spliced it and set it again, broke out water. latter part, took in sail on port tack heading N. E. fine; saw some finbacks and feed

Thursday January 13<sup>th</sup> S. 38° 00' E. 7° 42'

Came in fine set all sail, and stood along on port tack at half past five wore ship and steered S. E. by E. at seven took in top gallant and sail and the jib had a little rain, latter part, veered ship and took in sail on same tack weather moderate; saw some finbacks, and feed; but as for right whales, not even a ghost lingers round the spot.

Friday January 14<sup>th</sup> S. 38° 50' E. 8° 43'

Came in fine South light breeze set all sail on port tack, at half past five wore ship and steered S. E. saw some finbacks now mizzen top gallant braces, latter part is now calm, all sail set on Starboard tack.

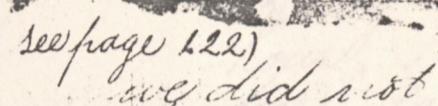
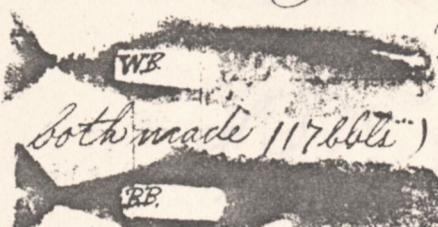
Saturday January 15<sup>th</sup> S. 39° 30' E. 9° 29'

Came in fine ship by the wind on Starboard tack at half past five wore ship, at eleven got a porpoise, saw some at half past five at night. latter part, set the fore-top-gallant sail, are now on same tack heading E. close hauled, fine weather

Sunday January 16<sup>th</sup> S. 38° 00' E. 11° 29'

Came in fine ship heading about N. E. At four to five afternoon it blew and that rain took in fore and mizzen top gallant sail latter part kind of zig-zagging. ship heading about N. N. E.

New Bedford Thomas A. Hallett, Captain  
Monday January 17th 1880. Latitude & Longitude  
South East  
36° 12' 12° 00' D.R.



Cape in thick and good breeze. Ship  
both made 117 bbls) close hauled on Port tack heading about  
N. N. W. all sail set, about half  
past eight we run onto a school of  
large sperm Whales, it was so foggy,  
we did not set flukes before, we dropped three  
boats and Mr. Pitts got one, and killed him  
in about ten minutes, we got his head in  
whale and stove in the sail at the gangway, it  
was an awful scene, at about two saw them  
again, about eight in all, dropped Starboard and  
Bow Boats and Mr. Morse got another  
large one, got him fluked at ten minutes  
past five, lost one fluke chain overboard and  
buoy & rope, and pretty near lost the other  
big one but got it all at last. Scatter part.  
Nine eight are now at work, (all hands) on  
the case and pink eye putting it in the tank  
it now blows, back main and mizzen topsail  
set on Starboard tack heading S. W. by S. Watch  
Cooper raised them, Kate and Second mate stood

D.R. D.R.

Tuesday January 18th 35° 50' .. 12° 20'

Came in fair, worked all night on the head  
at five called all hands and went to work  
on the second whale, got him in by dinner time  
and the watch went below after dinner, by four  
had everything snug and took in upper topsails.  
Latter part, fine weather, ship steering N. W.  
all serene as an apple pie, boiling fast as  
possible.

Wednesday January 19th S. 35° 45' E. 10° 37'

Came in very fine with good breeze, from S. W.  
are boiling fast as we can, Steered N. N. W. till  
three o'clock then wore ship and are now going  
on Starboard tack, close hauled heading S. N. E.  
just shortened sail splendid weather, a spermaceti  
bark passed heading about E. by N. that's all we  
saw. (steering off wind hauled to S. E.)

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Thursday January 20<sup>th</sup> 1881. <sup>South. East.</sup> Latitude & Longitude

34° 15' 11° 17'

Came in fair and bright with brisk wind from S. S. W. Steered off a little all day about E. S. E. saw nothing. Ship under lower top sails are now boating jink and will be on the cap in an hour. Scatter part are now close hauled on port tack boating ease weather very fine and nice breeze.

Friday January 21<sup>st</sup> S. 34° 00' E 11° 48'

Came in fine weather set all sail this morning we finished the ease at two last night and the full gear at noon today. Scatter part fine clear weather took in sail on starboard tack, wind N. S. W.

Saturday Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> S. 34° 05' E. 11° 31'

Came in fine began to work up fine stowed 117 barrels. Stowed 26 gallons, and an oilage of seven, bbls. down and got through at noon, and filled the water 117 bbls. bitts went by the wind under topsails 26 gallons and courses heading about W. N. W. saw plenty 3412 of gannies. Scatter part took in sail fine gallous clear weather. Sperm

Sunday January 23<sup>rd</sup> S. 34° 00' E. 10° 54'

Came in fine set all sail at daylight and stood by the wind on starboard tack. At eleven raised killers they kept sound till most two. at five wore ship. Scatter part have taken in sail on port tack heading N. W. by N. almost calm.

Monday January 24<sup>th</sup> S. E.

Came in fine ship on starboard tack all day, all sail set. Took in the bow boat and put a seal on, took out the center board. Saw some porpoises that all scatter part are now on port tack heading W. by N. took in top S. Sails. Dead calm and foggy.

Tuesday January 25<sup>th</sup> S. E.

Came in fine mad all and I steered N. W. by W. all day finished and painted the bow boat, put the main-top-gallant stay sail. Scatter the same all sail set calm. washed ship outside

New Bedford, Thomas G. Hullett Captain

Wednesday January 26<sup>th</sup> 1881 <sup>Soyoth. 11<sup>th</sup></sup> Latitude <sup>South</sup> Longitude <sup>West</sup>  
<sup>34° 05' 8° 26'</sup>

Came in fine and very light breeze squared the yards  
 and steered N. N. W. (about S. West last night)  
 at three o'clock on starboard tack steering  
 the boat close to the wind scraped boats craft all  
 day and at four o'clock the bow boat and boat  
 on the prams. Scatter part. Dead calm it has  
 been the hottest day since leaving the rock.

Thursday January 27<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 30' E. 9° 15'

Came in fine and still so all day squared in and  
 steered N. N. W. till two hours; then the wind hauled  
 finished the boat part this forenoon.

Scatter part still same ship heading West by South;  
 took in top gallant sails and fly jib.

Friday January 28<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 50' E. 8° 40'

Came in fine and half sail comfortable tack  
 heading N. N. W. began to wash ship inside  
 but at eight o'clock a gale which proved to be  
 half the bark N. N. W. Capt. Wicks. he came aboard  
 at ten. At ten and a half time seven Capt. Wicks  
 just gone we are now on port tack under top  
 sails blowing hard and quite a sea <sup>covers</sup>  
 I found Tom and George soon came aboard both  
 looked well as ever.

Saturday January 29<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 45' E. 7° 24'

Came in fine ship of Capt. W. N. on port tack  
 half an hour later Capt. Hart run down to  
 the ship and his Capt. is aboard. time ten  
 still passing took in said on starboard tack  
 almost calm.

Sunday January 30<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 45' E. 7° 24'

Came in almost calm and fine after breakfast light  
 went to the Mass and then a crew came here dead  
 calm all day Scatter part took in sail on starboard  
 tack heading N. N. W. dead calm it smells whaly  
 tonight.

Monday January 31<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 00' E. 7° 47'

Came in fine and half sail last night in half watch  
 sail we sent about to the Mass and got some poles  
 and cleaned the riggers and boats. Scatter part  
 took in top gallant headsail E. by S.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of C  
Tuesday Feb 1<sup>st</sup> 1881. Latitude <sup>South</sup> <sup>East</sup> Longitude <sup>South</sup> <sup>East</sup>  
 $34^{\circ} 20'$   $89^{\circ} 02'$

Came in fine but a good calm, set all sail  
and started S. by E. Rised the Masts off lee  
beam at sixt. Latter part fine light breeze  
steering S. i. woke out breed and water  
and hatched the mizzen top sail on the yard.  
Latter part of the day lower top sail and  
fore sail and mizzen the yards, at starboard  
tack.

Wednesday Feb 2<sup>d</sup> S.  $34^{\circ} 30'$  E.  $9^{\circ} 11'$   
Came in with strong breeze ship on star-  
tack under the top sail, jib and mainsail  
Masts now on beam, under the same amount  
of sail, we were close hauled till sixt. at  
three p.m. we went across our bows to  
windward and tacked. at half past  
five we were right on weather quarter,  
at six we were round, took in mizzen sail  
M. S. sail and jib and hauled close to  
the wind heading N. E. blowing hard.

Thursday Feb 3<sup>d</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 15'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 49'$   
Came in fine S. by E. sail heading S. S. W. on  
port tack. raised the Masts three points  
off lee bow. rocky out but the latter part  
light breeze ship heading S. W. Masts about  
seven miles on lee bow. Hauled up course  
and furled fore & mizzen sail and took in jib sail.

Friday February 4<sup>th</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 15'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 49'$   
Came in first ship heading S. S. W. on port  
tack. Masts off lee bow we kept off a little  
and she went to windward at nine she  
was out of sight from deck on the other  
tack. at same time raised a spinnaker  
it was a spinnaker, middle part raised and the  
latter part, were ship are now under all sail  
heading E. N. E. headed N. W. by N. all day  
with good breeze to end the day on  
board the Clipper ship Niger

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New Bedford. Thomas A. Gallett, Captain  
Saturday February 5th 1881. Latitude & Longitude  
North, East,  
34° 45' 37",

came in blowing fresh and clear steering E. N. E.  
at seven thirty, hoisted top gallant sail,  
steering N. E. N. W. Middle party set the T. G. S. & its  
again lost loose them and fly-jib in at fore  
quarter party, strong breeze steering due East.

1850. Feby 6th. S. R.  
Came in with strong breeze ship going East  
sails set out we sailed a large whale  
of weather. Came down three boats at  
night the second in the truck and just as the  
mate struck it a loud roar like pasted and  
as the third in sight of the mate soon drew  
and then the three whales iron drew and the  
whale went off. The next mate got no chance  
a sail went down to us which proved to be the  
barke "The Scud" Capt. Mr. Morris he came  
aboard at 11<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> part. took in of her  
top sails, bark to leeward, time half past nine  
just gone bark we are on starboard tack.

Monday February 7th 34° 00' E 10° 22'  
Came in midday & set all sail on port  
tack. Crossed all the lines at the first  
Sail ship lost sight of her at three hours  
of darkness and only got latter part back in  
all but lower 1st sail. heading N.E. by E.  
weather thick and nasty

Wednesday, Aug. 18th. S.  $33^{\circ} 58'$  E.  $10^{\circ} 15'$   
Carried few skiffs over port tack, set all sail at  
daylight, with small breeze. Saw a spout at  
exactly quarter past ten, it proved to be a sun-  
burst bottom, scattered first, then in S. S. Sails on same tack  
and breeze, heading W. S. W.

Wednesday February 9th S. 34° 20' E. 4° 11'  
Came in with a light breeze ship close hauled  
on port tack. Sighted St. B. Rock off the  
house first up Lavaits and got by on the cranes,  
saw some red houses and hoppers. Scatter part,  
took in all but lower top sails and foresail  
heading N by N. coming on same tack.

## Remarks on Board Ship Niger of

Thursday February 11th 1811. <sup>Latitude</sup>  $34^{\circ} 40'$  <sup>Longitude</sup>  $9^{\circ} 10'$

Came in fine set sail had calm.

Men at work washing forehains. Scatter port.  
raised a back st. yard which we call the Hercules.  
hooked in sail and went round on starboard  
tack heading S. E. good breeze.

Friday February 12th  $34^{\circ} 55' S.$   $9^{\circ} 50'$

Came in sailing a stiff breeze ship on star,  
tack went down top sail, raised two sails on  
one weather board and the others on weather  
boom. The sun down and we thought it to be  
the Peteraf but proved to be the Gazelle

am. Capt. Sudlow nine months out today  
with 250 bbls we gained till dark.  
Scatter port. The sail has just gone fine  
weather. every ship we now on Port tack  
heading N. W. by W. Gave sailor to capt.  
Lindblom.

Saturday February 13th  $34^{\circ} 50' S.$   $9^{\circ} 25'$

Came in fine set sail on Port tack  
broke out water. A big antique passed we  
exchanged signals (collar I mean) and at  
two saw a bark on the other tack supposed  
to be the Hercules. Scatter port took in  
sail on same tack heading N. S. W. fine  
weather. very strong high & low wind of drizzling  
rain. The motion of the ship unknown.

Sunday February 13th  $34^{\circ} 50' S.$   $9^{\circ} 10'$

Came in fine set sail on Port tack, were a ship  
at six. Middle part the Hercules, sun down as  
soon as dinner and Capt. came aboard. latter  
had a strong breeze. took in sail and stood along  
E by N. close on starboard tack, saw a spot  
this morning.

Monday February 14th  $33^{\circ} 58' S.$   $10^{\circ} 12'$

Came in fair set sail on starboard tack latter in the  
morning staved of E. and employed scraping dead  
eyes. At one set the Main & Mizzen top gallant sail  
latter part steering the same all sail set.

New Bedford. Thomas A. Calleth, Captain  
Tuesday February 15th 1881. Latitude <sup>South</sup>  $33^{\circ} 48'$  Longitude  $12^{\circ} 09'$

Came in fine ship going close hauled all sail set  
heading N.E. by E. sailing and run E. men  
at work at ships duty. John Yankee taring top gallant  
sheets and other chains. Scatter part ship under  
lower topsails. steering N.E. by E. saw two sail  
supposed to be whalers.

Wednesday February 16th S.  $32^{\circ} 05'$  E.  $12^{\circ} 58'$   
Came in fine all sail on main and  
mizzen. did not set the fore upper top sail.  
Men employed setting down fore top mast  
rigging, and other ships work. Scatter part  
sailed sail set steering N.E. yards square, fine  
breeze.

Thursday February 17th S.  $29^{\circ} 45'$  E.  $12^{\circ} 42'$   
Came in fine still after noon.  
finished rattling down the fore top mast  
rigging, and painted the mizzen dead-eyes.  
Scatter part, took in Main and Mizzen, H.S.S.  
and Mizzen top sail. fine weather good breeze, steering  
N. by E.

Friday February 18th S.  $26^{\circ} 54'$  E.  $11^{\circ} 42'$   
Came in fine, set the Main top-gallant sail,  
steering N.  $\frac{1}{2}$  E. Men at different jobs,  
hauling in mad-eyes and did several jobs  
(broke out bread). Scatter part under same sail  
Fore & Mizzen topsails furled, steering N.  $\frac{1}{2}$  E.  
strong trades.

Saturday February 19th S.  $24^{\circ} 24'$  E.  $10^{\circ} 24'$   
Came in fine, strong wind and quite heavy sea  
ship going N.  $\frac{1}{2}$  E. same sail as yesterday. have  
men employed painting iron and dead-eyes,  
scatter part, the same course and same sail.  
saw two finbacks and got two porpoises.

~~WB.30~~ Sunday February 20th S.  $22^{\circ} 15'$  E.  $9^{\circ} 42'$   
Came in fair set all sail but staysail steering  
N.  $\frac{1}{2}$  E. at eleven Capt. raised a school of small cods  
lowered all four boats and Mr. Peters got one.  
came back and catching in got through before dark.  
are now on port tack heading W.S.W.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Monday February 21<sup>st</sup> 1861 Latitude & Longitude  
South. of East.  
22° 25' S 8° 36'

Came in fine and almost calm set all sail on  
Port tack heads West. about. Middle part  
breezed up to 7 p.m. Mr. J. Price and started  
the works at five. Latter saw nothing. cool  
ship at five. at noon hoisted S.E. with mod-  
erate breeze whole topsails set.

Tuesday February 22<sup>d</sup> S. 22° 00' E. 9° N'  
Came in fine set all sail on starboard tack  
finished hoisting at eight and got the fat bacon  
in the pots. had all smoke at noon. Scatter part.  
Sulphur took in all but lower top sails heading S.E. about  
our same tack saw two schools of fish porpoise and  
a sulphur bottom which we thought was a  
sperm whale.

Wednesday Feb. 23<sup>d</sup> S. 21° 45' E. 10° 01'  
Came in fine set all sail on starboard tack. and  
stowed broke out bays and water. and then stowed our  
down oil, 29 bbls and 13 $\frac{1}{2}$  gals. and a large cullage. got  
29 bbls through at two and are now all ready for  
13 $\frac{1}{2}$  gals. 100 more. Scatter part. took in all but lower  
92 $\frac{1}{2}$  top sails on same tack heading E. S. E. with good  
gallons breeze. saw a school of black fish and some fins  
sperm.

Thursday February 24<sup>th</sup> S. 21° 40' E. 10° 01'  
Came in fair set the upper top sails and courses  
and fly jib. men at work mending sails. at  
half past six we were sick and went about  
S. W. Scatter part. took in courses and upper  
top sails on same tack heading N. S. W. but  
some bone in sack to clean tomorrow.

Friday February 25<sup>th</sup> S. 22° 15' E. 8° 48'  
Came in fine set fore and main topsails and  
courses. and kept about N. S. W. men at work  
cleaning bone. at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  past six we ship. Scatter part  
took in upper topsails jib and courses. heading  
E. S. E. finished more than half of the bone

New Bedford, Mass. J. Cullett, Captain  
Saturday February 26th <sup>South</sup> <sup>East</sup> <sup>Latitude</sup> <sup>Longitude</sup>  
21° 32' 9° 57'

Came in this ship by the wind on starboard  
tack, set the other 4 sails & flying and courses  
finished, then hoisted anchor. Scatter, part took in  
all but fore sail and luffed to on same  
tack, heading N. E. Steered E. N. E. most all day  
with stop of brief.

Sunday February 27th S. 20° 45' E. 9° 37'  
Came in fine & set the topsail courses and jib  
raised a sail which proved to be the ship  
w. <sup>re</sup> Milton Cap. Deller, Capt and his lady  
came here as soon as breakfast, and stayed  
all day and night. Scatter, part took in sail  
and hauled aback.

Monday February 28th S. 20° 03' E. 8° 12' 4"  
Came in fine set upper topsails, at eight, went  
aboard the Milton and her boat came back  
Capt and Mrs. H. stayed till night.  
Scatter part, we all came back right side  
up with ease.

So ends this month, and a general  
sum.

Domesticated Animals of the United States and Europe  
A table has been prepared by the Agricultural Bureau  
at Washington which gives the number of domesticated  
animals, by the latest reports in the United States  
and Europe as follows.

Europe	United States
31,573,663 horses	10,936,700 horses
4,136,031 mules & asses	1,713,100 mules & asses
89,678,248 cattle	33,234,500 cattle
194,026,236 sheep	38,126,800 sheep
42,686,493 swine	34,766,100 swine

## Remarks on Board Ship Niger of

Tuesday March 1<sup>st</sup> 1884. Latitude  $19^{\circ} 25'$  South. Longitude  $82^{\circ} 47'$  East

Came in fine set all sail on port tack.  
at 11 raised the port Cilton on weather beam.  
Sail at half past 12 wore ship and steered E. N. E.  
at six luffed to E. S. E. took in all but lower  
topsails good breeze.

Wednesday March 2<sup>d</sup> S.  $19^{\circ} 00'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 38'$ 

Came in fine ship in Starboard tack. Heaved  
on the line, at eight wore ship set all sail and  
steered W. N. W. send down the main fore sail  
fore and main topsails & fly sail and bent the  
old ones, sent in the line stay sail, and wore  
the royal ready preparatory to crossing the  
yards. At the first took in all but lower  
topsails, and luffed to heading W.

Thursday March 3<sup>d</sup> S.  $19^{\circ} 06'$  E.  $7^{\circ} 40'$ 

Came in fine set all sails on port tack and  
kept W. crossed the royal yards and then  
kept busy at odd jobs. At noon steered  
Sail W. N. W. after part light breeze took in  
all but main topsails. Saw black fish a  
shark and several skip-jacks and albacore

Friday March 4<sup>th</sup> S.  $18^{\circ} 55'$  E.  $6^{\circ} 49'$ 

Came in fine ship on port tack heading about  
E. S. E. W. of N. C. Heaved on the line. Set sail  
and kept W. N. W. till noon then come round  
Sail to E. S. E. taking in the gallant sail and at  
six luffed to the wind on starboard tack.  
heading E. S. E. light breeze shortened sail.

Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup> S.  $17^{\circ} 45'$  E.  $7^{\circ} 25'$ 

W. N. E. wind hard, set the courses and jib.  
Heaved off to beam broke out water. Then  
Sail, all steered Q. N. E. all day. So after part  
handed courses & jib and luffed to E. S. E.

Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup> S.  $16^{\circ} 50'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 28'$ 

Wind in quite rough so could not gain but  
by noon had all sail set, steering E. N. E.  
at three left N. E. till six then luffed  
to heading E. S. E. and soured her down.  
It is fine weather now.

New Bedford, Mass. Capt. L. Ballou Captain  
Monday March 7th 1841. Latitud.  $16^{\circ} 0' 4^{\circ} 29'$  South. Longit.  $70^{\circ} 30' 4^{\circ} 29'$  East.

Wore away fine set up sail and stowed out.  
Eight men come off the Welfton and Capt.  
Porter & Lynde came here. we kept about 100.  
Time and at three took in top gallant sail. At this  
part, wore away port tack heading about N.  
at seven thirty. they will it is a fine evening

Wednesday March 8th. Cloudy.

Wore away fine set up sail and stowed W. &  
N. men at work cleaning boat anchors shp. &  
sail chain hooks, shank painters and other merchant's  
service work. Latter part took in H. G. Sails on  
port tack almost abeam Welfton on weather bow.

Wednesday March 9th S.  $15^{\circ} 30'$  E.  $7^{\circ} 58' 46'$

Wore away fine set up sail steering N. N. W. and  
West. when at work scraping iron work.  
saw a passenger to go inward set the royals  
at noon, but took them in as soon as it began  
sail up. Welfton sailed all round us. latter part  
hauled up courses almost calm.

Thursday March 10th S.  $16^{\circ} 18'$  E.  $7^{\circ} 24'$

Wore away fine set up sail on starboard tack  
at six when ship and sailing the Welfton on  
by quarter. men at work on odd jobs.  
Latter part, took in all but lower top  
sails and hauled up the courses saw lots  
of Porpoises and fish got some Albacore.  
It is now calm. Wind severings.

Friday March 11th S.  $16^{\circ} 40'$  E.  $7^{\circ} 15'$

Wore away fine raised a bark which sunk to  
the Welfton, painted the boat on starboard  
side the house. latter part almost calm  
lowered the starboard boat and pulled to the M.  
The bark is the same 150 bbls this season.  
Latter part we having a staving gun. I staid  
all night but our gun did not stay.  
I slept about an hour out of the whole night  
and stalked the sea.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Saturday March 12th 1861. <sup>South. East</sup> Latitude <sup>Longitude</sup>  $16^{\circ} 30' 68^{\circ} 30'$

Came in fine with good breeze. we started from the Miller about eight and got here all right. out we are looking to day. latter part took in all the lower topsails in port tack heading N. S. W. saw one spout and plenty of fish.

Sunday March 13th S.  $16^{\circ} 28'$  E.  $6^{\circ} 45'$   
Came in fine with the port tack heading N. E. at eight we sight Miller in sight. latter part took in all the sails and fly'd so of calm and the bright moon light. caught some fish. Miller out of sight. we now head S. E. by E.

Monday March 14th S.  $16^{\circ} 14'$  E.  $6^{\circ} 30$  00  
Came in fine ship on starboard tack set all sail and hove E. by S. broke out water beans and spermaceti oil and right. caught some Dolphins. latter part took in all but lower topsails.

Tuesday March 15th S.  $15^{\circ} 50'$  E.  $7^{\circ} 45'$   
Came in fine I set all sail on starboard tack heading E. N. E. salted three bbls. fish. at noon saw a sail on weather quarter wore ship and stood for her. the breeze was light so we put about seven we all were reckoning who she was she is the Adeline Gibbs of N. B. Capt. Reede (who had the Drago) she is three months out with 40 bbls. bound round the other side. We received the news of Garfield's election to the presidency.

Wednesday March 16th S.  $15^{\circ} 45'$  E.  
Came in fine at nine we hauled aback. and the Adeline Gibbs stood down and we went to her. tarried all day had a fine time. latter part took in sail on both ships and we got back at half past six. are now by the wind on starboard tack

New Bedford. Horace A. Gibbs, Captain  
Thursday March 17th 1841. <sup>South</sup> <sup>E</sup> <sup>Latitude</sup> <sup>Longitude</sup>  
13° 05' S. 19° 22'

Came in fine with brisk breeze. The A. Gibbs  
up to windward, we did nothing to day  
but got a few fish in from lots of fish all round.  
we started E by S. fore topsail & courses till  
dark, then hauled to S. E. and took in all  
but lower topsails. George W. Brown of Fairhaven  
is second mate of the Gibbs.

Friday March 18th S. 14° 58' E 18° 23'  
Came in fine I set the upper topsails and  
courses and stood along on starboard tack  
heading E by S. at nine raised a sail astern  
set all sail steering the same, caught some more  
fish for trade on the east. Scatter part, hauled  
ship and are steering N. N. W. all sail set.

Saturday March 19th S. 14° 40' E. 8° 52'  
Came in fine 1st the going N. N. W. at noon left  
N. W. by W. planked the forecastle and broke  
out the stop chest took an account of stocks  
Scatter part steering the same all sail set  
but hoggish weather, cleaned the bottom  
and broke the stone in a hundred pieces, more or  
less.

Sunday March 20th S. 14° 15' E. 6° 33'  
Came in fine with brisk breeze ship going  
N. W. by W. at noon left N. by N. Scatter  
part. Brisk breeze steering same all but royals  
set.

Monday March 21st S. 14° 45' E. 4° 09'  
Came in fine 1st the going E by N. at six raised  
a sail which proved to be the Pioneer Capt.  
Gould Chase eight months out with 40 bbls blackfish  
oil no whales. Scatter part are now steering  
N. N. W. fore topsail out sail in, Capt. Chase  
just gone.

Tuesday March 22d S. 14° 45' E. 2° 08'  
Came in fine with good breeze steering N.  
N. W. wind at north scraping spars, and  
skylight frames and painted the sail and  
some little odd jobs. Scatter part steering  
N. by N. almost calm.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Wednesday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1881 Latitude 14° 45' S. Longitude 00° 27' S. East

Came in fine steered N by E. when at work scraping bottom and of ratings. at noon I. ft. sound to C. & C. latter part raised a sail. Gun which proved to be the Sunbeam. Capt. Hovey came aboard and we gamed till 7pm. took up all but main top-sails and laid to on starboard tack.

Thursday March 24<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 40' E. 00° 12'

Came in fine set up sail at 10. went to work tack Sunbeam on weather bow saw a shark on the buoy steering S. E. by E. evening off and she passed with quite near enough to make out her name. Men at work sat to do jobs painted the stage and broke out water. Latter part close hauled on starboard tack took in T. G. Sails fine weather.

Friday March 25<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 40' E. 00° 34'

Came in fine. At all the light sails again on starboard tack. saw by steamer just before noon. men at work sat to do anything. hauled the windlass. Latter part. our ship are now close hauled on port heading N by E. all but royals set.

Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 15' W. 00° 23'

Came in fine set the T. G. Sails and main sail. saw one ship. steered W. S. W. all day latter part steering same almost calm.

Sunday March 27<sup>th</sup> S. 15° 20' W. 0° 15'

Came in fine steering N by S. all sail set at six took in fore top gallant sail, raised a sail. Windy weather. now set the fore top G. Sail and main top. she proved to be the Eliza Adams. Capt. Hovey came aboard. we then squared the yards and steered N by N. all sail but royals set. with good breeze.

New Bedford. Thomas A. Hullett Captain  
Monday March 28<sup>th</sup> 1881. Latitude South West  
Longitude Longitude 15° 44' 44"

Came in fine gale all night, all sail set  
steering W by S. with light breeze  
at the thirty. Capt. Hullett went back  
to his ship & Mr. Walker went to work and got  
the chain cables up, bottom, and anchors off  
the bows, at about half past six a point on  
Port bow hove to W by S. light breeze  
& Eliza & Eliza taking the lead.

Tuesday March 29<sup>th</sup>  
Began fine and ended same. raised land  
from deck at about three this morning  
and anchored at about seven, at about  
eleven we got our lines and fenders.  
Received the sad news that Mother was dead.  
got several letters from others.  
Spent the rest of the day washing ship  
and fitting up. cleaned the boats. and that  
all. I can hardly believe that Mother  
died without one of her children present.

Eight years ago this month  
Charles Franklins son, of Nantucket was  
buried on Lord Howes Island from the  
East Atlantic, Capt. Gould, Brown of  
Nantucket.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Wednesday March 30<sup>th</sup>  
Harbor Log. St. Helena

Same in fine and went out to the same  
received provisions from Potato Board.  
Morning Star salled the bark Hubert  
sailed for home yesterday. bark Stagecoach  
anchored to day.

Thursday March 31<sup>st</sup>

Fine weather all day. bark Bertha  
came down and stood off and on  
barks Wanderer, Greyhound & Heathallen  
sailed. and two Merchant vessels.

April, Friday 1<sup>st</sup>

Good weather all day. worked stowing  
after hold. a Convey ship castled the Hyle  
Cunard & a gaff-rigged bark named  
Maclogan of Camden Maine passed  
close in. After dinner we went to the  
Eliza Adams.

Saturday April 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Stowed after hold with provisions

Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup>

Monday April 4<sup>th</sup>

Received water 7612 gallons from schooner  
Solomon. Scumblany came to an anchor  
at about three o'clock. went to the wharfs.

Tuesday April 5<sup>th</sup>

Received the rest what water we wanted  
making in all 341666  
Stafford and Bertha sailed

1st  
New Bedford, Thomas H. Waller, Capt.

Harbor of St. H. elevat

Wednesday Apr. 6th 1851

Wine and fine, painted the boats  
the Captain sailed. Bough at the pier  
I tell you, the second mate of the  
Alice Snowles, fell from the cumbings of  
the main hatch to the ground her and  
was sent ashore.

Thursday April 7th  
Good weather all day. Back Mermaid came  
in, Captain off on his watch on liberty.

Friday April 8th

Starboard watch on liberty. I went with  
the S. watch. I heard and the mate had a  
row. I don't know which was right. The  
Mates weight is 200 lbs and Stewards 140  
and a sick man. It was a brave transaction.

Saturday April 9th

Port watch on liberty. Miss Waller is  
going home to the Little Beard.  
The war Navy eight nights, was down  
evening, one of the San Jacinto crew died at  
the Hospital.

Sunday Apr. 10th

Signboard watch on a run. I had a flag  
flying half a house and Harry Gunnell, Tom  
Foster & George Stewart took horses and we rode  
all day. we all round the country.

Monday Apr. 11th

Starboard watch on liberty, painted all the ship  
the east Standard came back John Cmeal was  
discharged

Tuesday Apr. 12th

finished painting are now all ready for sea  
the Captain sailed. Miss Waller's baby went home  
in her. Last night in St. Helena for me  
for we suppose Hawley went.

Remarks on Board Ship Niger of  
Mr. West

Wednesday April 14<sup>th</sup> Lat. 15° 11' W. 50°

Came in close to land in forenoon, and got  
all round of good sea. At noon we are heading west  
and land looks like kind of bad. At 4 P.M.  
Latter part, we were now in close hauled on starboard  
tack. The Est. still there are and the Falcon  
tailed, the Falcon was out of sight.  
Serafine went to "Australia" last night.

Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup> S. 15° 11' W. 50°

Came in close around night. wore ship at first  
on starboard tack, we are engaged fore and  
aft straightening up things. Latter part, the  
Island is out of sight.

Friday April 15<sup>th</sup> S. 15° 05' W. 50°

Came in close around night. wore ship at first  
this morning. Two or three sail in sight  
at 10 we raised the land again.

Latter part the island is ahead brisk breeze  
raised a spot thought was a square header  
but it was gannusses playing in their glee.

Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> S. 15° W.

This morning we had lower close to and sent  
a boat with Mr. Peters & Frank stayed ashore  
at about one mile came off and gave me  
a letter from Harry. The last I shall get for  
some time I suppose and I sent the last one  
I shall send. If I land was at anchor.  
The Eliza Adams sailed Mr. West is in the  
hospital with congestion of the lungs, and ten  
of his crew sicked we did not get Serafine  
Latter part Capt. came aboard and we  
are off by the wind on S. tack fore and  
main tack aboard and lower topsail, &c.  
blowing hard.

Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 50' W.

Came in blowing hard ship close hauled on  
S. tack under close hauled sail gib and courses.  
Latter part wore ship are now close hauled  
heading S. W. same sail as. it is very  
disagreeable weather

New Bedford. Name of Captain,  
John C. Ballott Captain,  
Monday April 16<sup>th</sup> 1881 <sup>South West</sup> Latitude & Longitude

Came in blowing S.W. over ship at half past 4<sup>th</sup> and set fore and main upper topsails on the S. tack, at four o'clock in the afternoon took in upper topsails, blowing hard. After part, are on same tack heading about E by N. stiff wind. Experienced a strange drop of rain.

Tuesday April 17<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 52' W. 1° 44'  
Came in with a strong breeze. set fore and main upper topsails and took in before four o'clock. Weather part, to night it's rough and unbroken weather. Ship on S. tack heading E by N.

Wednesday April 18<sup>th</sup> S. W.  
Came in still breezy. over ship at half past four on Port tack, at three o'clock W. took in the two upper topsails and were on to S. tack at one bell E. W. set the two upper topsails again. Scatter part, bush unsteady wind. ship on S. tack same sail set.

Thursday April 19<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 39' W. 3° 30 $\frac{1}{4}$ '  
Came in fine. Wind close hauled on S. tack under all sail but N.Y. G.S. & M. flags. at about seven o'clock ship and set all sail but Royal. After part fine together ship on Port tack, heading about S. S. W. same sail set. Broke out bread and molasses.

Friday April 20<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 05' W. 3° 10'  
Came in fine. Ship on S. tack. all sail set, heading about Q. W. took in the S. B. boat, and took the boat we got from the Wimond off the house and put her on the S. B. cradle, and bent another second hand fly-jib. Scatter part fine weather with light breeze all sail but Royal set on same tack.

Saturday April 21<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 20' W. 1° 30'  
Came in fine, (the wind fresh) ship close hauled on S. tack heading E & E by S. repaired the old S. B. boat up in good shape again. Scatter part fresh breeze hauled fore top gallant sail and M.T.G. sail. on same tack

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup> 1791 Latitude <sup>South</sup> 12° 51' Longitude <sup>West</sup> 22°

Came in fine and fine ship by the wind on S. tack all sail but royals set. Latter part the same, fine weather and moon 1. a. it has been a splendid whaling day but no whales to improve it on.

Monday April 25<sup>th</sup> S 11° 46' E 51'  
Came in fine with no breeze ship on S. tack going about E. or E. by S. finished repairing the old S. B. R. and put her on the house-hall down. Latter part still fine with good breeze.

Tuesday April 26<sup>th</sup> S 10° 58' E 3° 53'  
Came in fine with stiff breeze ship close hauled on S. tack all but royals set. men at work at odd jobs. Latter part, strong spanking breeze. Sailed sail set, ship heading about S. E. by E. Saw a school of Black fish this forenoon.

Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup> S. 10° 02' E 5° 41'  
Came in fine with light wind hauled the top gallant sail in the night. set them through the day but took them in again at sunset. Latter part ship going about S. E. by E. just furled the S. G. Sails.

Thursday April 28<sup>th</sup> S. 10° 56' E. 7° 41'  
Came in fine with stiff breeze ship close hauled on S. tack heading S. E. by E. under whole top-sails and course. Broke out water. Latter part, about the same.

Friday April 29<sup>th</sup> S. 11° 15' E. 9° 33.  
Came in fine but blowy ship drove close by the wind on S. tack heading S. S. E. under top-sails and course. This forenoon, made signal pockets and sent down the foretop. Repaired it and bent it after dinner. Plenty of ship jacks round the ship. Latter part the same weather, ship going the same.

New Bedford, Thomas. A. Gallett, Captain  
Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup> 1881. <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>East</sup> Longitude  
11° 40' 40° 27'

This is the last day of this month, came in fair and a fine whaling cap. ship on S. tack under topsails & courses, at nine we ship and at ten set all three top- gallerant sails. We were employed mending the ship myself; at about one raised a large white water four miles off lee quarter, trimmed the ship and run for it but it was supposed to be a bumper, as nothing else was seen of it. so we stood back again on port tack, latter part tacked ship and are now as close to the wind as we can lay, with the same sail & heading about S. S. E. fine weather.

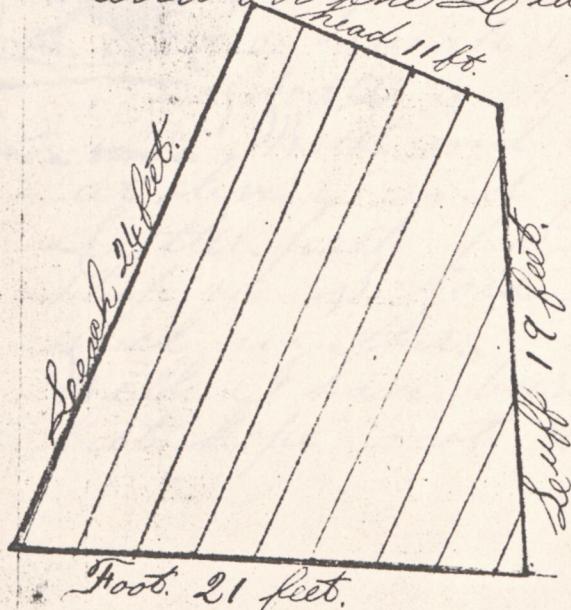
We hoped that white water would have a sperm whale in it but we have often heard it said

Of all sad words our youngster few  
The saddest are these "It might have been."

ft.	Waist Boats Sail	ft.	ft.
Mast 24.	Head 11.		
Booms 22.	Foot. 21. 80		
Gaff. 12.	beam and about 2 feet 11 inches Leach 24.		

The boat is 30 feet long, 6 feet deep. In roping in allow one half inch to the foot on the luff of the sail on the head about the same. On the luff allow three quarters of an inch to the foot, and on the leach about one quarter.

the mean that the sail must be so much larger than you want the ropes.



Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup> 1801 Latitude <sup>South</sup> <sup>East</sup> Longitude  
12° 35' 11° 31'

Came in fine Ship on S. tack all sail full  
royal &c. at half past five, were this  
Gallant part, hauled by on P. tack same  
sail set heading N by E. thick and foggy  
water dark glass.

Monday May 2<sup>d</sup> S 12° 25' E 10° 42'  
Came in fine with light breeze Ship on Port  
tack, don't loose the H. G. Gallant yard and  
sail, repaired the sail and feathered the jibs  
and other little a job, set it up before noon,  
Gallant part, Ship in S. tack, under all sail  
but royal, light breeze.

Tuesday May 3<sup>d</sup> S 12° 44' E 10° 09'  
Came in fine Ship on port tack all sail  
set, at work a odd job commenced the "in  
span & spivet," Gallant part, the same  
fine weather saw Porpoises & a little  
No day I was appointed to the waist boat,  
in place of Harriette (deceased)

Wednesday May 4<sup>th</sup> S 13° 05' E 9° 3'  
Came in fine light breeze and smooth  
sea Ship on Port tack, all sail set  
even at work on span span, broke out  
water, Gallant part, see some tack heading  
N by E, took in Hore-lif-gallant sail & H. G.  
Sail.

Thursday May 5<sup>th</sup> S 13° 25' E 7° 26'  
Came in fine brisk breeze and a quite  
rough sea, at seven raised a school  
of small sperm whale, lowered four  
boats and got these to the Starboard  
Waist and Starboard Boat, got back  
at eleven and finished cutting in by the  
Gallant part, fast watch out swinging up  
Ship on S. tack under lower top sail  
nick weather,  
Well I have been fast to my first whale  
but hope not the last.

New Bedford, Thomas A. Kulett Captain  
Friday May 6th 1881. <sup>With best</sup> Latitude Longitude  
13° 16' 7° 34'

Came in fine with wind vege. Ship on S. tack, after breakfast, were ship and washed ship, and one watch set up the jib-reefs, latter part, ship on Port tack under lower topsails, boiling.

Saturday May 7th S. 13° 30' E. 6° 41'  
Came in fine, ship on S. tack set all sail before tides were ship and stood on W. tack till six  
latter part, fine weather tacked ship, are now on S. tack all sail set. Finished the fat-lease  
and assuged up. Sailed a high (Gulf) saw a school of Porpoises, and some squid.

Sunday May 8th S 13° 12' E. 7° 52'  
Came in fine all sail set on S. tack, saw some blackfish, at four o'clock struck and saw a porpoise, latter part, still on same tack all sail but kites set, leading S. E. fine weather.

Monday May 9th S 13° 20' E. 8° 30'  
Came in fine ship on Port tack all sail set, at day-light began to stow down, got stowed through by two (we worked water & water)  
downs round 55 barrels  $14\frac{1}{2}$  gallons, 55000  $14\frac{1}{2}$  gallons  
latter part, still fine weather, tacked ship 1747 at five o'clock, are now on S. tack under gallons all but "kites" sperm

Tuesday May 10th S. 13° 35' E. 7° 41'  
Came in fine ship on Port tack top gallant sails furled, set them at six, we worked at spun-yarn and repairing boat sails and odd jobs, at three tacked ship, latter part, on S. tack same sail set fine weather.

Wednesday May 11th S. 14° 20' E. 7° 15'  
Came in fine ship on Port tack all but fore top gallant sail, we worked at spun-yarn, and a boat sail, latter part, tacked ship at five, it is now fine clear weather.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Thursday May 12<sup>th</sup> 1861 Latitude South 14° 45' Longt East 7° 03'

Came in blowing brisk F.G. sail and big  
jib hoisted, up on Port tack, man at work  
at shift dol. Latter part, at five more ship  
still blowing hard, topsails & courses set.

Friday May 13<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 45' E. 7° 08'  
Came in blowing brisk Ship on Starboard tack  
under topsails and courses, man at shift  
duty latter part tacked ship same sail  
set, heading west N. air chilly & damp.

Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> S. 15° 10' E. 6° 59'  
Came in fine wind hard as we are here  
below it is quite rough and blowy, Ship  
on Port tack under topsails & courses.  
Man at work on spraysail, saw porpoises  
& fin-backs. Latter part loose courses are  
now on S. tack, main sail hauled up,  
heading E. S. E. fair breeze.

Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup> S. 15° 4' E. 6° 35'  
Came in fair wind blowy, at about eight  
on weather quarter, ship on Port tack  
tacked ship but saw no more of the  
whale we thought was there so at ten looked  
again, latter part, took in all sail but lower  
topsails and fore sail on Port tack, brisk  
breeze.

Monday May 16<sup>th</sup> S. 15° 30' E. 6° 09'  
Came in fair ship on S. tack under  
short sail, man at work on spraysail  
saw some finbacks at ten set the upper  
topsails. Latter part on same tack,  
heading E. S. E. took in upper topsails,  
breeze.

Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 50' E. 6° 31'  
Came in fine ship on S. tack at half past  
raised a sail which proved to be the Bark  
Gam, Gazelle, Capt. G. a low case here and  
we stood along all day under lower topsails.  
Latter part Capt. G. just gone home.  
Ship is now on S. tack under short sail  
strong breeze.

New Bedford. Thomas A. Kylllett, Captain  
Wednesday May 19<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 40' E.  
14° 10' S. 62° 30' E.

Came in fine with upper topsail and  
topgallant, then on port tack at seven miles up.  
I am at noon raised a sail which proved to be  
the Spray. Captain. same course  
Saw her first ship on port tack took in all but  
lower top sail and port sail.

WB.25  
Thursday May 19<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 40' E.  
Came in fine set all sail on port tack  
sent to the Spray and got a broad gun.  
At time below saw a school of sperm  
whales off the beam, dropped fore, boats and  
the second mate got one, the school went to  
windward, the portboard boat got stove  
the Spray picked three bags but got none,  
(four fathoms) Saw her first, last sight of the whale  
they were going N. W. about ship is now  
on port tack heading N. by E. G. Sails set  
almost together.

Friday May 20<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 30' E. 7° 32'  
Came in fine ship on port tack under lower  
top sail, set six bags to eat and got through  
Saw at half past eight Spray right ahead,  
at nine set all sail and I saw ship.  
Saw her first, took in port sail and fly-sail  
on S. tack almost calm, rolling messily.

Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> S. 13° 35' E. 8° 20'  
Came in fine with light breeze ship on  
starboard tack, got all bags up, none, and the  
deck washed. Spray in sight off weather beam.  
At half past, saw same tack almost calm, all  
sail set, (killed a fish)

Sunday May 22<sup>d</sup> S. 13° 02' E. 8° 34'  
Came in fine ship on port tack heading N.  
almost calm. At six saw Spray ship, all none  
on port tack all sail set, heading  
N. E. by S. almost calm.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Monday May 23<sup>rd</sup> a. Latitide & Longtude  
South East  
14° 32' 6° 30'

Came in sight ship on S. tack.  
Stowed. Stowed 23<sup>rd</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> gallons of oil. got 11<sup>th</sup> enough  
iron. at ten o'clock, saw a large white whale.  
25<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> Latte part. are saved, are now on S.  
812<sup>th</sup> Tack light wind and sail set.  
gallons Sperm.

Tuesday May 24<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 36' E. 7° 30'  
Came in sight small brige ship under  
whole topsail on S. tack. Run off all  
day. when at work on shrouds,  
Latte part. work in topsail top-sails  
and mainsail and topped too. on same tack.

Wednesday May 25<sup>th</sup> S. 14° 00' E. 7° 33'  
Came in sight. Set all sail and steered  
N. W. at noon full two-braced round the  
yards. Latte part. topped down on S. tack.  
Heading N. E. took in all sail but lower  
topsail. Finished the ship-yarn today.

Thursday May 26<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 40' E. 7° 38'  
Came in sight. Set all sail and braced the  
yards to keep her N. N. W. Then at work  
at odd jobs at 7. Found more sound and  
hauled closer in the wind on S. tack.  
Latte part. took in all but lower top-  
sails on same tack. Very foggy weather.

Friday May 27<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 35' E. 7° 45'  
Came in sight ship on S. tack at daylight  
yester, all sail and were ship at eight.  
Broke out harpoon, after that did nothing  
at three struck a porpoise, saw a white whale  
at eleven which looked like a sperm whale.  
Latte part. took in light sail and were  
ship, are now heading S. by E. fine weather.



Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 36' E. 7° 50'  
Came in sight ship on S. tack, set all sail  
and at eight were sound. broke out water  
at two. The whale sailed on. saw a sperm whale  
at ten. lowered and chased him till dark got onto  
him in our boat but did not get judenough  
to harpoon. It being calm, we paddled had but no  
Latte, steering S. N. calm under the sail.

New Bedford. Thomas A. Gallett, Captain  
Sunday May 27th <sup>South Lat</sup> Latitude ~~42°~~ 41° 45' Longitude

Came in fine we set all sail and stood away  
Guru, on Port tack, at nine saw a whale but he was not  
the kind we wanted, we also saw two sail on  
the Stafford and the other the Falcon named  
both. latter part ship we first took Capt. Kennedy  
will stay here. We set all light breeze.

Monday May 28th S. 13° 13' E. 6° 49'  
Came in fine with stiff breeze ship going up on  
Port tack. latter part were round and hauled  
the light sail. set the lights for the boat.

Tuesday May 29th S. 13° 30' E. 7° 39'  
Came in fair left blowing a good breeze ship  
on S. tack, Falcon on the bow all hands busy.  
looking at this saw two humpbacks Falcon  
out of sight. latter part took in all but lower  
top-sail and fore-tail, blowing brisk, on S. tack  
heading E. S. E.  
I am nineteen years old today.

Caught  
Softly falls the summer moonlight  
On the tranquil ocean tides,  
Where a boat with youth and maiden  
Over the water lightly rides.

Flushed by nature's solemn silence  
Whispered he in accents low,  
"Let us float through life together,  
Though the tide be ebb or flow."

And she answers breathing music  
Like a low breeze through the pines,  
"Yes dear, if you'll only let me  
Hold, as now, theudder lines."  
- G. Ward. Glendale.

## Remarks on Board Ship Niger of

Wednesday June 1st 1809 <sup>Latitude</sup> <sup>13° 20'</sup> <sup>Longitude</sup> <sup>7° 57'</sup>

Came in fine but quite windy ship on S. tack at six we got all sail, at eight pm boat yard log, at noon saw two backs one on the starboard bow on the beam. Scatter part, we sighted light fog and hauled good breeze ship had E. S. E.

Thursday June 2d S. no observations came in fine ship crowded over, ship on Starb. at eight were ship, sail in sight on our le. S. E. broke out most bread and meat. Scatter part were ship and hauled off S. E. sails. eight weather, saw porpoise

Friday June 3d S. 13° 30' E. 8° 16' Came in fine ship on S. tack all sail set. Far over a half mile on the bow we tracked ship and have kept about N. all day employed in boat sail making, Scatter part good breeze but thick, raised a sail up in bow but too late to gain, still on same tack. It alread went off on the other tack

Saturday June 4th S. 14° 00' E. Came in fair, hauled twice since sunset, are on West tack and saw le. at six were ship, saw a white water which looked like a humpback, broke out water. Scatter part hauled right sail and hauled sail

Sunday June 5th S. 13° 58' E. 7° 44' Came in fine ship on S. tack all sail set, got our Longitude at eight. Scatter part fair but cloudy still on same tack hauled light sails at four passed a trunk of a tree covered with sea weed and barnacles.

Monday June 6th S. 13° 40' E. 7° 57' Came in fine ship on S. tack under easy sail at six set all sail and were ship, Repaired the main topmast stay sail. Scatter part hauled light sail ship on S. tack with breeze.

night, she looked sweet now I tell you, got through and furled light sail still calm.

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New Bedford, Thomas A. Hull, Captain

Tuesday June 7<sup>th</sup> 1801

South East

Latitude & Longitude  
13° 53' 57° 59'

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Came in fair, at six set in sail and rigg'd top  
sail and wore ship. at ten set off light sail, did  
nothing all day. Weather past, handed light sail, bailed  
breeze ship on Port tack heading W.

Wednesday June 8th, A. M. 13° 35' E. 7° 06'

Carried in fine at the 1st light sail on Port tack, saw two sails one supposed to be the Stafford. Repaired the fore top sail. Hauled astern, ship on St. tack hauled light sail and main sail.

Thursday June 23<sup>rd</sup> 1861

came in office ship on stack, men at work on  
boat sails, at five Charlie raised a school of  
sperry whales lowered all four boats and  
we (W.B.) struck at sunset, and the mate soon after,  
we sailed out by moon-light, the fourth mate struck  
and worked sometime, but got stove bad and lost him,  
it is not eleven o'clock we are just through the  
third mate picked Mr. Marshall's crew up, Bill got  
slightly hurt in the leg, saved all the craft worst,  
We now lay aback under lower top-sails fine  
weather.

Friday June 10<sup>th</sup> S.  $12^{\circ} 52'$  E.  $7^{\circ} 23'$

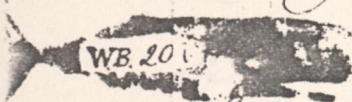
and in six and most on it, got underway  
by seven and, ate breakfast, raised the other sail and  
set all sail by ten, on S. tack, weather flat, cabin  
caught some dolphin, saw a bill fish, that all day,  
it is now fine clear weather bright moonlight  
and glad early we have all sail set on S. tack  
boiling.

Same as dead calm, sailing at six broad the  
yards to port tack, finished up and got all clear.  
Later part calm and beautiful weather, on same  
tack, turned up 32 bbls, saw some porpoises.

Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup> S 12° 57' E.  
Came in calm and fine saw the Moon enter Perseus  
that morning it looked like an eclipse. At ten  
Blasted. raised a large long whale at twelve lowered  
three boats and paddled about four miles to windward  
but never saw him. got back at five and found them  
eating the whale Mr. Marshall killed the other

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Monday June 13<sup>th</sup> 1881 Latitude & Longitude,  
South 12° 57' East 7° 33'

Came in fine clear and dead calm at seven lowered for a school of whales, and paddled to windward and we fastened to a bull the S. & B. boat pulled after the school out of sight to windward but got nothing they go back to us. the S. & B. helped us tow we got through cutting before the other boat got here. Scatter part, boiling merrily, a ship in sight off the bow, Still calm all sail set, carcasses scraps black-fish, porpoises all in sight to day.

Tuesday June 14<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 15' E. 7° 30 $\frac{1}{4}$   
Came in fine with brisk breeze, ship on S. tack a bark, in sight on weather bow, saw hump-backs sulphur-bottoms and porpoises and a school of black-fish. Got through boiling and all snug broke out water, Scatter part, fine ship on P. tack all sail but royals set.

Wednesday June 15<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 25' E. 6° 39  
Came in fine, smart breeze and good sea for whaling, towed at ten took in all but lower topsail and fore sail. began to stow, stowed 73 barrels 23 $\frac{1}{2}$  gallons got through 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  at five and all clean by half past four whales less than 2000, 312 apiece. Took in the Starboard boat & repaired her, yellow Scatter part on S. tack, under short sail fine weather here. saw grampus.

Thursday June 16<sup>th</sup> S. 13° 03' E. 7° 26'  
Came in fine with good breeze ship on S. tack under easy sail, at eleven saw white water, at noon raised a sail on lee bow, on same tack we are on, It wished the Starboard boat and put her on the cranes Scatter part we are on same tack handed light sail.

Friday June 17<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 55' E. 7° 08'  
Came in fine, ship on P. tack at seven more ship. Men at work on a boat sail raised a school of black-fish and a white water Scatter part handed light sail and huffed up, (run fast all the afternoon) on S. tack very light breeze

New Bedford Thomas A. Hallett Captain  
Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> 1881. <sup>South</sup> <sup>East</sup> Latitude & Longitude

Came in fine ship on port tack, at noon wore ship  
all sail set, this forenoon repaired Mizen top and top  
gallant sails, broke out bread, and the rest of the  
day did anything or nothing, just as it happened.  
Latter part saw a sail off weather bow and a  
white water at dusk, wore ship and hauled light  
sails.

Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 30' E. 7° 19'  
Came in fine, ship on port tack, at seven  
wore ship and set all sail, saw nothing.  
Latter part, nice breeze, set the royals, steering  
N.E. by E. 2° E. going about eight knots.

Monday June 20<sup>th</sup> S. 10° 57' E.  
Came in fine, all sail set, at daylight  
furled the royals, to day sent up an old upper  
main top sail and put away the old one that  
was off and then did odd jobs. <sup>new</sup>  
Latter part set the Royall with fine breeze  
steering E.N.E.

Tuesday June 21<sup>st</sup> S. 10° 21' E. 10° 21'  
Came in fine, steering E.N.E.  
Have been at work on a boat off the house  
fitting her for the mate, and making  
general preparations for humping.  
Latter part smooth with gentle breeze  
set the Royals, steering E.N.E.

Wednesday June 22<sup>nd</sup> S. 8° 25' E. 11° 26'  
Came in fine, steering E.N.E. saw one  
white water at about eight, luffed to it but  
found twas a humpier, overhauled the  
oil lashings, and did odd jobs.  
Latter part fine with light breeze set the  
Royals steering E.N.E.

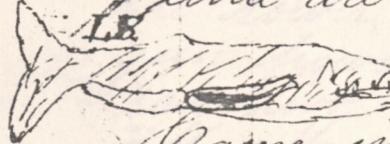
Thursday June 23<sup>rd</sup> S. 7° 30' E. 11° 39'  
Came in fine steering E.N.E. almost calm, we bent  
the cable to starboard anchor, broke out water and  
bread. Latter part, calm set the royals steering  
East.

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## Remarks on Board Ship Tiger of

Friday June 24<sup>th</sup> 1881      South Latitude 7° 08'      East Longitude 11° 55'

Came in calm, steering E by N. put the new Starboard boat on the cranes and took in the old one to repair. Middle part had a little breeze latter part still calm, braced up and are steering S E 1/2 E. royals set.

Saturday June 25<sup>th</sup> S. 6 30 E. 12 36

Came in fine, raised land at seven and anchored at nine in Funta Bay, there are 15 fathoms of water and we have 45 out. there is a barkentine at anchor in the river.

At half past ten lowered the boats and Mr. Peters fastened to a large cow and Mr. Walker got a bull, the cow sank and Mr. Morse is with her, we towed the other to the ship got here about eight o'clock.

Sunday June 26<sup>th</sup> S.

Came in fine I called all hands at half past five and finished cutting at about half past seven, then sent a boat to release Mr. Morse and they both came back to dinner. a Portuguese cutter passed close to us, a pretty little craft, we shipped our ensigns to each other. after eating we did nothing but rest and fish had supper at half past four and Mr. Peters went back to the whale

Monday June 27<sup>th</sup>

To day we had breakfast at five and sent the boats off to the whale, they hauled her up and we went up and towed her to the ship, got here at quarter of eleven cut her in and got all snug and started boiling merrily, we are straining try water

Tuesday June 28<sup>th</sup>

Lowered at half past five kept the Starboard boat aboard two humpies passed the ship but they got in the slick at noon three Canoes came off, we gave them plenty of scraps and they went off contented

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New Bedford Thos. F. Hallitt Captain  
Wednesday June 29th

This morning we hove anchor and run down the coast anchored in 13 fathoms, at about three this afternoon the boats came back at sunset they run over to a barkentine at anchor abreast the town; she is a german craft loaded with gun powder for trade, at about eleven we saw two boats astern, two whales passed and Mr. Morse lowered but they went like ~~leaves~~ the son of Nimski, (as Joe Clapp says)

Thursday June 30th

Broke around at five, ate "hash" and sent some boats off. They saw and chased humpers but sighted none, came back soon after dark to the ship. we caught some fish and lofed, round, one canoe came alongside.

Friday July 1st At Anchor.

Remarks on board Ship *Vigil* of  
Friday July 1<sup>st</sup> 1881 At Anchor



At half past five sent off all four boats, and at about three the mate struck a whale with the "Greaser" gun, killed him and we got to the ship with him at sun down.

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Saturday July 2<sup>d</sup>  
Called all hands at five, sent the second & third mates off and began to cut finished before ten and sent the boat off, at four set the signal for the boats just as the 2d Boat got along side raised five whales coming to leeward the boats chased them, the mate fired the big gun but missed, the boats came back at sundown, and we got under weigh are now steering N.W. three royals set, light breeze sea watches set,

Sunday July 3<sup>d</sup>  
Cape in view with very light breeze ship going S.E. three royals set commended to boil at daylight, passed a German barkentine at anchor to windward, the Congo, we passed the Congo this afternoon, the water is brackish but it could be dangerous on a pinch, scatter part there is a light on the starboard bow light breeze ship in 15 fathoms of water.

Monday July 4<sup>th</sup>  
This the "Glorious birthday of American Independence" came in little different from other days, very light breeze ship going N.N.E. three royals set, we celebrated the fourth by stowing down oil and having a general straightening up, scatter part the same, steering N.N.E. in fathoms of water.

New Bedford, Thomas A. Hallett, Captain  
 Tuesday July 5<sup>th</sup> 1881. <sup>South. East.</sup> Latitude Longitude

Stowed. Finished stowing down, and snugged all up down, and cleared up. calm, and smooth sea all sail 100 bbls. set, stowing N by W. shore plain in sight 26 gallons. Spaller part the same, Stowed in all 100 bbls and 26 gallons, of (Papaini) oil. (3176 gallons)

Wednesday July 6<sup>th</sup> S.  $4^{\circ} 35' E$   $11^{\circ} 14'$   
 Came in calm, and quite clear, depth of water varying from eleven to seven fathoms. at noon I passed the town of Soango, gentle breeze which died away in two hours, at three weking our reckonings and found Lat. and long. as above, So after part dead calm, anchored at nine.

Thursday July 7<sup>th</sup> S. E.  
 Got under weigh at seven, stood down the coast sent two boats off, saw two schooners, and lots of canoes off fishing, two came alongside, one had a small diamond fish and the other had a big albacore, in the afternoon saw four boats which proved to belong to the bark, Ospray a little to leeward of us, at six or after, we anchored where we now lie,

Friday July 8<sup>th</sup>  
 Got under weigh this morning and sent two boats off, the second & fourth greatest, Passed the Ospray, capt. Heyrick came aboard, she is 14 months out with 24 barrel of oil, we kept on down, and lowered the other two boats, came in sight and at night anchored close to the Gazzelle, a boat had gone gaming. Broke out beef.

Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup>  
 Got under weigh and left the Gazzelle at eleven o'clock stood down the coast boats off, at two raised the Grey Hound Capt. Allen, went aboard and back about eleven she has 200 barrel this season,

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup> 1861

Gained all day there were twelve of our crew there till nine in the evening. we caught some fish and pickled them;

Monday July 11<sup>th</sup>

Got under weigh this morning and stood along the coast, sent all four boats off. After dinner the second and fourth mates saw and chased whales they came close to the ship, Scattered part edne to, and anchored.

Tuesday July 12<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine I sent all four boats off saw the Wanderer to leeward Capt. Spanton came aboard at eleven, at three the Gazelle came down and anchored a little way off. Capt. Sudlow came here and started back just now.

Wednesday July 13<sup>th</sup>

Sent the boats off and they chased whales some, the Third mate stayed and broke out bread & water, got the Sledge anchor on the bow, at three the second mate of the Wanderer came here, and got Capt. Gallott to go there as their Carpenter broke his collar bone by a fall into the main hatchway, in stowing down.

Thursday July 14<sup>th</sup>

Lowered the same as ever Bill is sick so when Capt. Gallott came back he sent Carpenter down in his place. the Carpenter (of the Wanderer) arm was out of joint Capt. Gallott set it in five minutes Our boats chased a gam of five hump-backs fired his gun three times but missed.

Friday July 15<sup>th</sup>

Came over same but never lowered the boats and they chased two whales, and one cargo passed by the the Wanderer boats seemed to be chasing them to the leeward.

New Bedford. Thos. A. Gallott, Command.

Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup> 1881

Shovel Before daylight heard a pumper off the port noped, boat at daylight lowered and pulled out shark ahead of him but he did not want to be caught so he cleared. They chased whales once more but they were under "a full head of steam" so the boats could not catch them.

Off the ship we caught a shovel headed shark a curious looking fellow, and some scups one or two suckers, but we let them go again.

Sunday July 17<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine got under weigh at half past six and ran down the coast passed the Gazelle at half past eleven lowered for a humpback close to the ship chased him awhile, started to come aboard and he came up close to the mate but his gun snapped and he had no hand gun beat on.

We kept running and anchored close to the Mass at four in the afternoon Capt. Wicks came here and the crew stayed here till ten. Capt. W. stays all night

Monday July 18<sup>th</sup>

This morning got breakfast at five, then proceeded to get under weigh Capt. H. went to the Mass and got some flags for Cooper. went off from boat off and run down the coast fell in with the Bertha, getting a whale along side anchored and Capt. H. lowered his gig and we went over there had dinner and then at about twelve our boat struck the mate got one a good sized one, we came back and at five we ship papers got under weigh and run about ten miles down to where he was. Mr. Peteri got stone a little, we got him alongside about twelve and though with everything snug at half past anchored in twenty two fathoms of water. The Bertha looked lonesome all burnt up, backstays spliced a fluke chase for a main stay try works chased, and hopper deck traps and all cleaned out. Robinson has had bad luck this voyage 42 months out with 800 bbls all told.

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Remarks on Board Ship *Niger* of  
Tuesday July 19<sup>th</sup> 1881

Today we rose round at six o'clock cut till  
seven, then the Mate & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mate lowered  
we got through cutting at one pte dinner  
and then Mr. Peters & Marshall lowered,  
they saw whalers but got none, two passed  
close to the ship at night, boats came aboard  
and we are snug and turned in.

Wednesday July 20<sup>th</sup>

Came in same as ever, lowered all four boats.  
they chased humpbacks one down passed the  
ship, fired the big gun twice carried away  
the loggerhead & made another which I  
think will stand, saw and chased whalers  
up to windward but got none, saw a carcase.

Thursday July 21<sup>st</sup>

Commenced to boil this morning, broke out  
beef & beans, & Mr. Moore aboard boiling.  
The boats chased two whalers and Frank  
fired the cannon once but it didn't reach

Friday July 22<sup>nd</sup>

Finished boiling this morning, left two  
boats and washed off, then we ship keepers  
broke out water, and the other boats went off,  
they saw three lone whalers but got no chance,  
we have 54 bbls on deck, and are all snug for  
another,

Saturday July 23<sup>rd</sup>

Took our anchor and came down the coast  
and anchored again off , the boats  
were off and saw whalers but got no chance, at  
eleven we anchored again, at sun down we  
saw a boat coming from shore, they got here at  
dark, they thought we were in distress,

Letter part we went ashore again and got a  
large goat, some bananas and cocoa-nuts,  
it is now seven, we are boiling, boat crew watch,  
it is drizzling weather, We are right between the  
Islet Des Rollas and St. Thomas

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New Bedford - Name of Captain.

Sunday July 24<sup>th</sup> 1881 South East  
Latitude 2° 28' Longitude 8° 52'

This morning had breakfast at seven and at about eight took our anchor, the shore boat with Mr. Neil, went back, we set every square sail and stowed N.W. by N. with good breeze, crossed the River Atta at four o'clock, Scatter part steering the same all sail set good breeze. Saw four Humpies



Monday July 25<sup>th</sup> S. 1° 10' E. 7° 45' Came in line we clewed up Fore & Main royals and maned mizzenhead, stowed down 56 barrels of oil at four M.R. We raised a school of sperm whalers, lowered four boats and the fleet chased the school till dark boats got stowed back at ten minutes past seven. Scatter part, lower three Royales set steering N.W. by N. (1766 gallons)

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Tuesday July 26<sup>th</sup> S. 1° 10' E. 7° 05' Came in line, ship goaded. N.W. by N. took in royals and maned mizzenhead, cut in out whalers. Scatter part, good breeze ship close hauled heading W. by S. on port tack

Wednesday July 27<sup>th</sup>  
Raised the Islands of S. & Thomas at about seven o'clock off lee bow, set the Main-sail and stay sail, going close hauled on Port tack, heading about W. saw plenty of hump-backs. Scatter part are beating up by the Island, strong breeze.



Thursday July 28<sup>th</sup> At anchor, This morning, we were up to windward of the passage we wanted to pass. We anchored and started boiling our sperm whalers, lowered the mate & 3<sup>rd</sup> mate, and after they got away chasing a cow and calf we lowered the gig and I went ashore with capt. Gallett, we staid an hour and in that time the third mate struck a whale and set him to spouting thick blood with one bomb lance, they got him fluked before we came back, we hove up and run in opposite the settlers house.

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Remarks on our Ship's Log of  
Friday July 29<sup>th</sup> 1881. At Anchor



This morning we hove up and stood through the passage, shifted anchors and dropped the big ark with the small one on starboard bow, furled all sail and here we are in six fathoms of water all snug for the rest of the season, after ten we lowered three boats and the mate struck a calf and the second mate struck the cow, whoever gets the calf claims the cow in hump-backing, we got her alongside at three and began to cut finished boiling our sperm whale last night at three o'clock. Spotted part our hump is partly cut and large here, all hands turned in,

Saturday July 30<sup>th</sup>

Came in clear, began cutting about six after breakfast Mr. Peters went down and at ten the third mate lowered, at four we saw a cow and calf out to leeward lowered the mate but he did not get her Saturday night off St. Thomas shall finish boiling by nine, shall then be all snug.

Sunday July 31<sup>st</sup>

Today had all hands at six and cut fat till seven, after breakfast at about nine o'clock the Starboard watch (all that wanted to) went ashore and came off at twelve the port watch went after dinner, Capt. and the mate went gunning and got 13 birds and one flying fish, we let them go again latter part we are boiling boat crew watches, saw several whales so ends the month of July on the ship Niger off the Isle of Rothesay at anchor, hoping this will be the last July from home will now close for this night.

New Bedford - Home of Gullitt Captain  
Monday August 1<sup>st</sup> 1881

Today two boats went through to leeward and two staid aboard stowed down 24 bbls of sperm and down. had a big ollage, snaged up and after dinner the other two boats went up to windward and 24 bbls 12 gall. Mr. Morse struck a large whale and nearly killed him, but the line whipped up and 768 caught him under the arm and pitched him gallons overboard so they cut. Mr. Peter got to him Sperm just as he was sinking he darted lance but the whale was to far under. Mr. Morse lost two lances.

Tuesday August 2<sup>nd</sup>

In the morning two boats went to windward and two leeward, they saw several whales but got no chance at any. we went ashore and got three boat loads of cocoanut branches, <sup>capt. went</sup> gunning and got nine birds. Scatter part a little raining Coopers on the sick list.

Wednesday August 3<sup>rd</sup>

Stowed down 95 bbls and 17 gall. 95 bbls 17 gall. of oil and a large ollage, broke out bread 1010 and water and some cloth out the slop gallons chest, after dinner the two boats went up to windward and the second mate struck a large cow put one bomb into her and the iron drew. (3010 gallons)

Thursday July 4<sup>th</sup>

This has been a day of incidents and accidents two boats went to leeward and two to windward Mr. Marshall had a good chance but Bill missed one iron over and one under. Then the Mato had a good chance at a big cow but missed with the gun and slipped when he darted the hand iron and that struck sideways. Then he gave Frank a chance at a cow and calf, the cow heard the boat and he darted at the calf but did not hit him. We went ashore and got room stuff.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of New  
Thursday October 27<sup>th</sup> 1881 St. Helena.

Took in water, Capt Howland was married,  
Hercules came down and landed the Captain,  
Gazelle came to anchor, H.M.S. Firebrand  
sailed.

Friday October 28<sup>th</sup>  
Painted ship; The English slaver, Earl Granville  
came to anchor, also a small side wheel steamer and  
the mail steamer came in, about half past  
nine in the evening.

Saturday Oct 29<sup>th</sup>  
Received stores, provisions &c. the ship.  
Carisbrooke Castle is off and on, and the  
Devon of Grancek came to anchor, the slaver  
Earl Granville sailed; Starboard watch on deck.

Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup>  
Port watch on liberty, I am aboard to try.  
The bark, Penny of Trieste, came in, and  
two whose names I don't know, the Falcon stopped  
and got letters.

Monday October 31<sup>st</sup>  
Came in fine weather, the "Fernie of Trieste"  
Sailed, sailed, at four Capt. Gallett came aboard  
and we took our departure, followed by the  
Allegro Penowles, and the Eliza Adams,  
we left the Gazelle at anchor,  
Latter part, a very stiff breeze, wind on the  
quarter, all three royals set, steering West,

If you find the day of the week that any event occurred  
when the day of the month and year are known,  
Take the date of the year and divide it by 4, add the  
quotient to the year, then take the day of the year and add  
it to the sum of the year and quotient, divide the sum  
by 7 and the fraction will be the day of the week, 1 for  
Sunday 2 for Monday and so on, (always throw away  
fractions in dividing years) for example, McClellan's  
army was attacked at Fair Oaks May 31<sup>st</sup> 1862 what day  
of the week was it, 4) 1862 the 31<sup>st</sup> of May is the 151<sup>st</sup> day of the  
465  
2327  
251  
2478 divided by 7 = 354 and 0 remaining  
which makes it Saturday.

Bedford Mass. Thomas A. Gallett, Master.

Tuesday November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1881 <sup>South</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitude & Longitude

Came in with strong breeze hauled royals at four o'clock no work going on today. Scatter part blowing strong just set the royals, steering W. by S.

Wednesday November 2<sup>d</sup>, S. 18° 10' W. 11° 37'

Rained Came in with good breeze. Today went new foresail & fore-topsail, (not new, but the strong ones we used last sea on south) Scatter part set the royals steering West, with good breeze,

Thursday November 3<sup>d</sup>, S. W.

Came in with fair weather, we went in, and bent new jib, both main-topsails, and bent everything else on the mizzen. Scatter part, set the royals steering West, with light breeze,

Friday November 4<sup>th</sup>, S. 19° 40' W. 15° 19'

Came in fine, with light breeze. After breakfast went to work splicing the fore-top-mast back stag, on port side, Scatter part, light breeze, set the royals steering West.

Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup>, S. W.

Rove new rigging Tamed, Came in fine, rove some new rigging, raised a sail which proved to be the Alice Knowles. Gamed at eleven, Capt. Gallett came back at seven. Scatter part, steering West, set the royals with light breeze,

Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup>, S. 21° 10' W. 18° 51 $\frac{1}{4}$ '

Came in fine, light breeze steering West. Alice Knowles in sight off starboard quarter, finback, Scatter part nice weather, set the royals, steering the same. at one, this afternoon raised a shout, proved to be a finback.

Monday November 7<sup>th</sup>, S. 21° 40' W. 20° 47'

Came in fine, steering W $\frac{1}{2}$  N with light breeze rove some new rigging, signal halliards &c. Scatter part fine weather, set the royals, Alice Knowles, up on starboard quarter,

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Remarks on board Ship *Niger* ofTuesday November 8<sup>th</sup> 1881, <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>West</sup> Longitude

22° 12' 22° 28'

Sail Came in fine, steering  $N\frac{1}{2}N$ . Took in the Starboard bow boat, and put her on the house, Broke out stores. Scatter part, breeze, light, set the royals steering  $W$ . by  $N$ . Alice Knobles, in sight.

Wednesday November 9<sup>th</sup> S. 22° 30' W. 24° 35'

Came in fine, rove new rigging, and hung a new grind stone, at five we raised a white water. Scatter part, steering  $W$ . by  $N$ . set the Royals. good breeze, Alice Knobles, out of sight.

Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup> S. 23° 04' W. 27° 34'

Came in raining heavy, all sail set steering  $W$ . by  $S$ . came on to blow at seven, took in top gallant sails, but set them before noon, again, Sails. Saw three sails, a bark, steering about  $NW$  and a brig steering toward the cape. the other one a long ways off. Scatter part set the Royals steering  $S.W$ . by  $N$ . every rag set, but spanker & spanker with good stiff breeze.

Friday November 11<sup>th</sup> S. 24° 40' W. 28° 53'

Came in fine, saw two large barks and one barkentine close to us, raised a large ship off Starboard quarter, Sails. Broke out the Cook's friendly" (sail) (fore stay sail) and bent it. Scatter part, light breeze, almost calm, set the Royals, steering  $S.W$ . by  $S$ .

Saturday November 12<sup>th</sup> S. W.

Sent down Came in fine, Ship heading  $S.W$ . by  $S$ . sent down the royals, royal yards, and put up the hoist at about eight Sails. began to rain, and was raining all day saw two sails, Scatter part, close hauled on port tack heading  $S.E$ . by  $S$ . with good breeze fore top gallant sail furled

Sunday November 13<sup>th</sup> S. 26° 32' W. 29° 25'

Sail Came in fine, Ship on port tack wore at ten thirty last night, headed  $S.W$ . by  $S$ . all day, saw one sail astern, Scatter part tacked just before seven, heading now  $E$ . by  $S$ . with good breeze

New Bedford Mass. Thomas A. Gallett, Master

Monday November 14<sup>th</sup> 1881. <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>West</sup> Longitude  
27° 10' 29° 50'

Came in fine ship on Port tack. today repaired royals and did odd jobs, scraped Royal & top gallant masts, &c. latter part, saw one sail four points off S. bow, took in all sail but lower topsails first time this season. Fine nice weather, ship on P. tack.

Tuesday November 15<sup>th</sup> S. 27° 38' W. 30° 15'

Came in fine ship on P. tack. Sent down the upper mizzen topsail, took off a foot, off the foot of it and bent it at 3 a.m. five. raised the Eliza Adams at daylight, Capt. went aboard there at ten or a little before. Without the main top gallant stay sail, and stowed it away, sent down four top gallant sail to repair. Scatter part, wore round on Port tack, Eliza to leeward; blowing a gale, ship, hove too under main topsail and storm stay sails.

Wednesday November 16<sup>th</sup> S. 28° 04' W. 30° 39'

Spent all last night, wind died out before twelve, cleared this morning, wore ship at seven, and went about S.S.W. all day, Capt. Gallett came back at 3 a.m. about eight, and made all sail. Broke out bread and water, scatter part wore ship and hauled all but lower top sail heading N.E. by E. fine weather.

Thursday November 17<sup>th</sup> S. 28° 00' W. 29° 49'

Came in fair, ship under lower topsails on port tack at half past twelve, saw twelve ships, carried courses all day, saw one sail, broke out beef, and overhauled luff lashings. Scatter part, on Starboard tack, heading S.S.W. hauled mainsail & jib.

Friday November 18<sup>th</sup> S. 28° 00' W. 29° 22'

Came in fair with stiff breeze, set the mainsail and jib, headed about S.S.E. to work repairing fore top gallant sail and making robands. Scatter part, hauled mainsail & jib and wore onto Port tack.

Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup> S. 28° 25' W. 30° 30'

Came in with stiff breeze, set all sail and squared in steering N.W. by N. Scatter part braced sharp on P. tack heading S.W. by S. all sail set.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger or.

Sunday November 20<sup>th</sup> 1881. Latitude  $30^{\circ} 00'$  South. Longitude  $31^{\circ} 00'$  West

Sail, Came in fine with good breeze. a large merchantman passed, bound home I suppose; Scatter part, On port tack all sail set with good breeze, heading S by West.

Monday November 21<sup>st</sup> S.  $33^{\circ} 00'$  W.  $31^{\circ} 06'$   
Came in breezing up strong, steering S by W wind worked round during the night to N by E. squared in and at five, handed mainsail, at noon only had main upper topsail set, at half past five at night handed all but fore and main topsails and fore sail, Scatter part, kind of wild and picturesqu<sup>e</sup> weather. Bow & stern boats on upper fleet and the quarter boats on second fleet, steering S by West, with a cooling breeze, two top sails & foresail set. barometer  $29^{\circ} 5$

Tuesday November 22<sup>nd</sup> S.  $34^{\circ} 30'$  W.  
Wind hauled suddenly at about two o'clock, so hove the ship too on port tack and furled the foresail, took in the fore topsail at nine. Came in with a stiff gale at five, wore on to S. tack and headed S by E. wind kept working till now we head about S. E. Scatter part, we now have three lower topsails courses and jib set, strong breeze and heavy seas, saw two firbacks.

Wednesday November 23<sup>rd</sup> S.  $35^{\circ} 10'$  W.  $29^{\circ} 07'$   
Came in fair ship on S. tack, heading S. E. Porpoise set all sail before ten, struck one porpoise, killer saw quantities of Right whaler feed, first Scatter part, fine weather, handed all but lower fed the top sails and fore sail. Saw some killers, Season.

Thursday November 24<sup>th</sup> S.  $36^{\circ} 20'$  W.  $27^{\circ} 51'$   
Came in fine, ship on S. tack, wind hauled and we squared in and run S. E. The lower deadeye to the starboard mizzen-top gallant-back stay drew out, repaired. Scatter part handed all but lower topsails and foresail. So wide the glorious Shanks<sup>rs</sup> saw porpoises, but another factopuast stay sail.

New Bedford Mass. Thomas A. Gallott, Master.  
Friday November 25<sup>th</sup> 1881. Latitude <sup>South.</sup> 37° 00' Longitude <sup>West.</sup> 26° 28'

Came in fine, ship headed <sup>S. by E.</sup> raised one sail on  
Sail. lee beam. made all sail and kept off till two o'clock  
steering about N. E. by E. saw porpoises twice.  
Latter part, ship on S. tack under <sup>two</sup> topsails and  
foresail almost calm heavy swell.

Saturday November 26<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 32' W 25° 32'  
Came in fine ship on S. tack heading E. by S.  
set all sail, at twelve M. wore ship.  
Latter part, handed all but lower topsails, on W. tack,  
tack heading W. by N. almost calm.

Sunday November 27<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 15' W. 24° 59'  
Came in fine, ship on S. tack steering S. S. W.  
light air all night made all sail and staved  
Finbacks. at four A. M. handed topgallant sail and  
fly-jib, at seven passed a school of Finbacks.  
We were close hauled on Port tack heading N. E. by E.  
At sunset handed all but lower topsails and  
wore round, now heading S. by W. note at eleven  
raised a ripple, but it proved to be Finbacks.

Monday November 28<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 15' W. 23° 59'  
Came in with strong breeze ship on Port tack  
heading W. by S. at ten wore round, reefed the jib  
(first sail we have reefed this voyage) set the mizzenail  
and fore & main topsails, saw feed, finbacks, and porpoises.  
Latter part, wore ship and handed all but lower  
topsails & foreail; head now N. W. by N.

Tuesday November 29<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 12' W. 23° 46'  
Came in fine ship on Port tack, set all sail, at nine wore  
ship, saw plenty of Finbacks. Latter part, took in sail  
ship on S. tack heading N. S. W. almost calm.

Wednesday November 30<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 20' W. 23° 33'  
Came in with strong breeze set the upper topsails  
& Mainsail, but took in topsails before noon.  
Latter part, handed courses, are now on Port tack  
heading N. E. by E. strong wind and rough sea.  
Saw plenty of feed, and finbacks.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
Thursday December 1st 1881 <sup>South. West</sup> Latitude & Longitude

Came in with good breeze and heavy swell,  
squared in and steered E. by S. with main top gallant  
sail set. rainy and foggy all day. Scatter'd part  
wind hauled to Southward & Westward.  
braced the yards to starboard, and handed all  
but lower topsails & foresail. rain coming in sheets  
steering E by S.

Friday December 2d S. 36° 25' W

Came in blowing a heavy gale, ship on S. tack  
under main topsail and storm staysails.  
filled all other sail at half past two.

Sail. At six set the foresail and at eleven st the  
fore and mizzen topsails. saw a large merchant  
man on Port tack under short sail.  
Latter part, raised another sail to leeward the  
wake set the main upper topsail, steering E

Saturday December 3d S. W

Came in fair, ship on S. tack, set all sail but fore  
top gallant sail steering broke out provisions  
and water, at eight raised a sail on lee quarter,  
at half past nine wore ship. it proved to be the  
Alice Knowles, gained till seven, she has not  
seen anything of any account. Scatter'd part  
handed top gallant sail & fly jib steering S. by E.

Sunday December 4th S. 36° 36' W 17° 05'

Sails Came in foggy but cleared up fine, set light  
sails and steered S. E. by E. at two wind hauled  
aft squared in, two sails in sight. Scatter'd part  
wind the same, handed Mizzan top gallant sail and  
Mainsail steering S. E. by E. weather dark and threatening.

Monday December 5th S. 36° 55' W 13° 45'

Came in blowing brisk, steering S. E. by E. wind steadily  
increased so we handed all but foresail and main  
top sail, steering same, very rough sea, latter part,  
blowing a gale and a heavy sea running, we filled  
the foresail and have out good ship too, on the  
Port tack under our lower main top sail and storm  
staysails boats on the upper flats, heading about  
N. N. W

New Bedford Mass. Thomas A. Gallett, Master.  
Tuesday December 6<sup>th</sup> 1881      <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>West</sup> Longitude

This morning came in with stiff breeze at half past four, squared in and steered S. E. by E. and at six raised land, and one merchant ship came along behind us. Run by the island of Inaccessible, and got to Tristan at about ten, sent two boats fishing, and at two sent the fourth mate after potatoes, got off two boat loads. The Alice Knowles, got her at about six. Scatter part, are standing off shore on Port tack fine nice weather light wind.

Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup> S. W.

Came in nearly calm stood in and after breakfast sent the mate, & fourth mates, fishing and the third mate ashore with flour, took aboard the rest of our potatoes and a half bullock, and at four the boats were back, with a good catch of fish. At five the third mate came back from shore and we took our departure. Alice Knowles sailed before us. Scatter part, handed top gallant sail and flyjib fine breeze, steering E.

Thursday December 8<sup>th</sup> S. W.

Came in with increasing wind, ship close hauled on Port tack, handed upper topsails at seven, Alice Knowles up a little before the weather beam, finished salting fish by eleven, at three handed the maingall. Scatter part, good breeze thick and disagreeable weather, ship heading N.E. by E. under lower topsails and foreail Alice on weather quarter.

December 7<sup>th</sup> 1881 English Chronometer fast of Greenwich Mean Time 1 hour 00 minutes 48 seconds and gains 4 seconds per day.

French Chronometer slow of Greenwich Mean Time 1 hour 12 minutes 16 seconds; And losing 4 seconds and  $\frac{5}{10}$  of a second per day.

Friday December 9<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 18' W. 8° 48'

Came in fine, set all sail and hauled in the yards steering East. At noon squared in and steered S. S. E. Finbacks. Saw a large school of finbacks, thought they were sperm whalers. Scatter part hauled all but lower topsails steering S. E. by S. saw a patch of feed, fine nice weather. Saw nothing of the Alice today.

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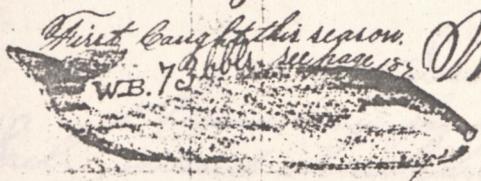
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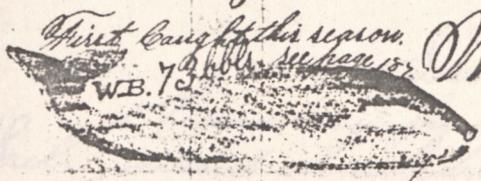
Saturday December 10th 1881. <sup>South</sup> Latitude & <sup>West</sup> Longitude

37° 00' 6° 13'

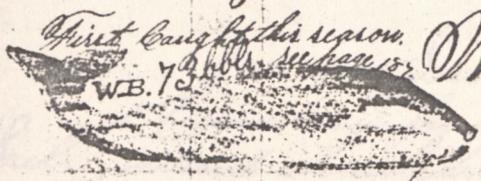
Came in fine, set all yards square, steering S.E. by S. Fed. and, at <sup>Braced up on port tack and steered E.</sup> saw plenty Finbacks and fed. Scatter part, handed all sail but lower topsail steering E. good breeze.

 Sunday December 11th S. 36° 45' W. 4° 05' R. Came in fine set all sail at five steering E. W. N. W. at 9.45 raised three Right Whales going about W. N. W. going fast, lowered three of boats, and this season chased them, lost sight of them at one o'clock and boats came aboard, squared in again and steered S.E. Scatter part, fine weather, good breeze from N. W. handed all sail but lower topsail steering E.S.E.

 Monday December 12th S. 37° 30' W. 00 49' Came in with strong breeze steering E. set the fore and main <sup>upper</sup> topsails and foresail and steered E.S.E. handed upper topsails at 11.30 and steered S.E. at four handed foresail, fore & mizzen topsails and hove to on Port tack heading E.N.E. blowing hard and heavy sea running.

 Tuesday December 13th S. 36° 35' E. 00° 43' Came in with stiff breeze, which died away to a good wholsail breeze so set all sail steering E.N.E. till two, then hauled <sup>close</sup> onto S. tack. Scatter part, fair weather, handed all but lower topsail heading S. by W. Discovered the mizzen topmast trolley <sup>was</sup> carried away.

*First caught this season.*  
WB. 73 *upon 107*

 Wednesday December 14th S. 36° 45' E. 2° 02' Came in fine, hauled aback in the middle watch; at half past four, braced full and made sail. Went to work on mizzen topgallant mast, hove it up and rove a strap through the fid hole then over the head of the topmast, to take the strain off the trestle trees. Today steered all ways. At five raised a Right whale braced up on starboard tack hauled aback, dropped the three boats and the Second mate struck him, killing him instantly with Pierce gun, got him alongside at about 6.15. handed all sail but main & mizzen topsails & hauled the foresail up snug, it is a fine evening. Ship on S. tack, heading S. E. by E.

New Bedford Mass. Thomas A. Gallott, Master.

Thursday December 15<sup>th</sup> 1881      South      East  
Latitude      Longitude  
37° 10'      2° 48'

RW

Came in fine commenced to work on our whale at four he was under the bow, finished cutting at eight, made sail and steered S.E. by S. at two forty five Capt. raised another R. whale, lowered the S. W. and S. boats, and chased him till 5-30 it came in squally, hauled all but lower topsails and foresail, and are now on S. tack heading N.W. Bob darted once but he was too far under water Charlie took up his gun and drew back and went over backwards out the boat.

Friday December 16<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 30' E. 3° 14'

Came in stormy with high wind Ship on S. tack heading E. wore ship at seven, headed N.W. all day, at four set fore & mizzen top sails. Scatter part finished boiling and snugged up a little. This whale was the fattest we have got this voyage, had to try some with wood blubber all went to oil. We are now on Port tack under lower topsails & foresail; strong breeze; heading S.N.W.

Saturday December 17<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 05' E. 2° 57'

Stood 2301  
gale R.W. 73 lbs 12  
Sail. 330.      Came in fine made sail, tacked at eleven, Ship on S. tack, scraped bone finished at eleven, After noon Stoived down 2301 gallons of Right whale oil in whale hold, finished at four and scrubbed deck are now snug and neat, all ready for another, Scatter part are now on S. tack all sail but fore & mizzen top gallant sail set (and mainsail), heading S.S. W. wind very light, raised a sail. - Saw a little feed. [off weather bow]

Sunday December 18<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 35' E. 2° 02'

Sail.      Came in fine Ship on S. tack heading W.N.W. wind hauled at twelve last night. The sail we saw passed at same time, a full rigged ship, raised another sail, passed us at 11.30 this forenoon, exchanged collars, she was Swedish. Scatter part, stiff breeze whole top-sails & courses set, heading W.C.N.W. Saw a little feed & three or four fairbacks.

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Remarks on board Ship Nigus of New Bedford  
 Monday December 19<sup>th</sup> 1881 <sup>South</sup> <sup>East</sup> Latitude & Longitude

Came in thick & rainy set main & mizzen top-gallant sails heading W. on Starboard tack. Wind increased, handed T.B. sails and upper top sail at 3.30 at five thirty furled mainsail at seven wind gone down, wore ship and furled foresail. we head now E.N.E. on P. tack, thick uncomfortable weather.

Tuesday December 20<sup>th</sup> S. 37° 30' E. 1° 09'

Came in fine ship on Port tack set all sail and chicked in the Port braces & steered E.N.E.

Put on ratlines and did odd jobs.

Scatter part, steered E.S.E. wind what there is from W.N.W. all sail but lower topsails furled

Wednesday December 21<sup>st</sup> S. 37° 10' E. 2° 39'

Came in fine made all sail and steered E.N.E. at three raised two Right whales lowered but got none, they saw the boat and went to windward saw them at six thirty, scattered part, handed all but lower topsails & foresail, hove to on S. tack heading W by S. quite stiff breeze

Thursday December 22<sup>d</sup> S. 37° 35' E. 2° 24'

Came in with strong breeze set the upper fore & main topsails, ship on S. tack, wore ship at five, set courses heading N.E. close hauled. wore ship at ten. Finbacks were again at 12.30 saw four and a good many finbacks, Scatter part, good breeze, took in all but lower topsails and wore onto Port tack, wind N.N.E.

Friday December 23<sup>d</sup> S. E.

Came in with strong breeze ship on Port tack, at ten set the upper topsails, at one squared up and steered S. at six braced sharp on P. tack, heading N.E. and handed upper topsails. Scatter part, handed foresail; with strong breeze ended this day.

Whenever a duty waits for thee,  
 With sober judgement view it;  
 And never idly wish it done,  
 Begin at once and do it.



Mass. Thomas A. Gallott. Master.

Saturday December 24<sup>th</sup> 1881. <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>East.</sup> Longitude  
 $36^{\circ} 55' 41''$

Came in thick with brisk breeze which moderated so by eleven o'clock we had top gallant sails set, on Port tack, at eleven fifteen braced round on S. tack heading off by E. Scatter part, hauled all but lower topsails heading S.S.E. fine pleasant weather almost calm.

WB. 89. wpp 191. Sunday December 25<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 30' E.$

Christmas came in clear and bright and had calm, ship heading about S.S.E. At about eight, Joe Ngvis raised two right whales on Starboard bow, a light breeze springing up we lowered all four boats at about nine. The mate struck one and killed it with one bomb, so it sank they held on till about one, a strong breeze sprang up and a dense fog, the line parted so we lost him, came aboard, ate dinner and lowered again, this time Mr. Peters fastened, first bomb he fired shot away the iron strap, but he fastened again and killed him. This afternoon saw a good many right whales all round. Got him along side at 4.30, snugged up and took in head and lips and one fin, cut to windward first time this voyage got all in and snug by dark, are now hove to on S. tack under Main & mizzen topsail heading W.N.W. fair weather wind light.

Monday December 26<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 45' E.$   $4^{\circ} 16' 2$ . Came in fine, called all hands at four and got to work, finished body at seven, got breakfast and went to work to boil right away, (our watch below) it commenced to rain and blow, rainy all day. Scatter part, clear looking, wind N.N.W. foresail main spars and main topsail, are the only sails set, ship on S. tack wind moderating. Boiling merrily.

Tuesday December 27<sup>th</sup> S. E.  
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## Remarks on board Ship Nige of New

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WB

Tuesday December 27th 1881 <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>East</sup> Longitude

37° 00'

4° 27'

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Came in fine, light wind from the S. and Westward which hauled to N.N.W. at 7.30 raised Right whales lowered the mate, second & fourth mates, and at about three, the second mate struck a large one, got him fluked at seven, saw plenty of whales there in sight at sundown handed all sail but lower topsail on S. tack, very light breeze, fine weather time 9 P.M. just finished boiling, set boats crew watches sent all hands below, and Carpenter stood watch all night

Wednesday December 28th S. 37° 20' E. 4° 35'

Stowed and smooth sea. began to send up tackles at four and got head tongue fins and lips in by 7.30 ate breakfast and then finished cutting, stowed what oil we had on deck, sent down gear and got all ready to boil by 1.30, then ate dinner sent one watch below and started boiling merrily. Scatter part. light wind, handed fore and mizzen topsails, hove too on S. tack heading S by E.



Sail

Thursday December 29th S. 37° 20' E. 4° 20'

Came in fine and clear with light breeze ship on S. tack heading S by W. made sail, and at 6.30 raised a sail on weather quarter, stirring about S.E. at 7.30 we wore ship, and passed quite near to that sail which proved to be a Yankee bark. We hoisted our signal letter and all she answered, was "Peace" (kind of curious) at 3.30 we raised "flukes" and at 4.30 lowered the three port boats and chased round till 6.30, came aboard, and handed all but lower topsail and fore sail, hove too on P. tack heading N by S. about so many fin backs in sight we could not keep the run of the Right whales. Seated, boiling the tongue, boats crew watches.

Bedford Mass. Thomas A. Gallett, Master.

Friday December 30<sup>th</sup> 1881South Latitude and East Longitude  
37° 20' 3° 56'

Came in fine and calm, ship heading S. by West  
called all hands at 4, and began to stow, made all  
sail, saw an English bark passed within a mile  
stowed of us, dipped ensigns to each other. Stowed with what  
we run Wednesday 5631 gallons of Right whale oil.  
78 bbls (4 gall.) and got through at noon. Steered S. E. all the  
afternoon. Scatter part. are close hauled on S.  
tack heading N by E. calm. handed all but lower  
topsails.

Saturday December 31<sup>st</sup> S. 37° 20' E. 3° 53'  
Came in fine with light breeze set all sail on S. tack  
steering N.N.W. at five tacked ship.  
began at work scraping bone, cleaned pipes and  
shot up the works. Scatter part. fine clear weather  
light breeze tacked ship and snugged her down  
heading W.N.W. very little breeze.  
So ends this day and year of Our Lord  
One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty One

In sunny climes or on stormy seas  
Wherever I may roam,  
My heart will fondly cling to thee,  
My childhood's happy home.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger. of.

Sunday January First A.D. 1882

Came in fine clear weather Wind North.  
 Ship on Port tack heading East, North, East.  
 Sail All hands well fore and aft.  
 Tacked ship at seven. Middle part  
 stayed S.W. raised a sail on Port bow, at 5-30.  
 Scatter part handed all but lower top sails  
 strong breeze, luffed too heading W.  
 Saw Humpbacks      Latitude  $37^{\circ} 40'$  South.  
 Longitude  $4^{\circ} 16'$  East.  
 So ends the first of '82

Monday January 2d S.  $38^{\circ} 00'$  E.  $3^{\circ} 16'$   
 Came in fine, ship on Port tack heading  
 C.N.E. set all sail and run S.W. till noon  
 then braced up and stayed W.C.W. Saw killers  
 Scatter part, calm ship going all round.  
 The compass wind hauled round to N. braced  
 sharp on S. tack hauled the Mainsail snug up  
 heading about W.N.W. fine weather

R.W.  
  
 Stove a  
 Boat.

Tuesday January 3d S.  $37^{\circ} 30'$  E.  $4^{\circ} 20'$   
 Came in thick and rainy ship on S. tack heading  
 W.S.W. all sail set at five tacked ship and  
 headed N.N.E. at 7-30 handed top gallant  
 sails & fly jib, at 8: mate raised white water  
 wind increasing handed fore & mizzen top gallant  
 broke out meat & butter. At 3-30 raised fly jib on  
 Port. bow, wore ship and lowered three port  
 boats at 4: Mr. Morse struck one and the  
 Piercer gun flew the whole length the boat and  
 the end of the pole struck him just above the right  
 temple, cutting a painfull gash. The boat  
 came up under the boat and started the wood  
 ends from the stern post & broke the rudder, she hauled  
 so bad they only could haul on to the whale  
 once and the bomb-gun would not go off  
 although he did zig-zag fast, they never got and  
 chance, they held on till they saw two no use  
 and then cut. got aboard at 6-30. Scatter part,  
 very rough, ship on S. tack under lower topsails  
 and foresail, heading W.

New Bedford Mass. Thomas A. Gallett, Master.

Wednesday January 4<sup>th</sup> 1882.

South Latitude & Longitude  
D.R.  $37^{\circ} 30'$   $4^{\circ} 06'$   
Sup. 1882.

Came in with strong breeze ship on S. tack,  
heading N. E. at one set topgallant sail and  
fifly jib. Took in the bow boat, repaired her and put  
her out again. Latter part, light breeze tacked ship  
(\* wore ship at eight this morning) are now close hauled on S.  
tack heading N. by E. courses hauled up, all other sail  
set, almost calm

Thursday January 5<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 05'$  E.  $3^{\circ} 37'$

~~Finback~~ Came in with strong breeze fore & mizzen upper  
topsails furled. Set them at six but hauled  
all the upper topsails at 9: saw plenty of  
finbacks all round us, one grampus and one  
hump. So latter part ship close hauled on S.  
tack heading E. by W. furled mainsail and jib  
strong breeze and heavy sea.

Friday January 6<sup>th</sup>, S.  $37^{\circ} 14'$  E.  $4^{\circ} 18'$

Came in fine and clear. Ship on Port tack.  
Set all sail and run off. in fact we went all way  
all day. Wind W. by N. Saw some finbacks  
Latter part, almost calm with heavy swell.  
Hauled the courses snug up and have all other sail  
set on S. tack heading N  $\frac{1}{2}$  S.

Saturday January 7<sup>th</sup> S.  $38^{\circ} 25'$  E.  $3^{\circ} 55'$

Came in fine ship on S. tack heading W. S. W.  
saw one abbacore that's all in this day.  
Middle part headed W  $\frac{1}{2}$  N.

Latter part, wore ship at 5:30, and hauled  
topsails at 6:15. Weather thick and sprinkley  
Ship heads E. N. E. close hauled. lower topsails  
jib and courses set, strong breeze.

Sunday January 8<sup>th</sup> S.  $37^{\circ} 50'$  E.  $5^{\circ} 06'$

Came in fine with strong breeze ship close  
hauled on Port tack heading N. N. E.  
furled the mainsail at 6:30. At 7:30 left off  
to E. S. E. and set upper topsails and M. S.  
Gallant sail at 1 A.M. hauled round to  
S. S. E. and run till 7:30 then hauled all but  
lower topsails, and have too on Port tack  
heading N. strong breeze, saw birds and  
two finbacks. A merchant ship passed us at  
10 last night.

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of New

Monday January 9th 1862 Latitude  $38^{\circ} 00'$  South. Longitude  $55^{\circ} 54'$  East.

came in with strong wind. sheeted hoist fore & mizzen topsails, and set foresail, ship on Port tack, at about seven raised one Right whale on bow, but t'was too rough to lower set the upper topsails and mainsail at 10 o'clock, at 11-30 wore ship, and at two William Hassen raised two right whales in a patch of feed, lowered three Port boats at 2-45, and at about 3-15, Waist boat and bow boat struck and saved both got them fluked at about 6: got the gear all up and ready to cut at daylight. Note. in lowering the bow boat they lowered on top of the W.B. the Pierces gun iron went through her and broke the pole short up to the socket. Scatter part. heavy sea but wind moderating. Ship on S. tack heading S. by W. Main & Mizzen topsails set. truck and duck locking.

Tuesday January 10th S. E.

Came in with light S. breeze but heavy swell. Called all hands at 4: hooked on to the small whales fin and in wearing ship started the big chain on the large cow. crossed the W.B. and they struck her again. Cut the small one all in at eight. set all sail to beat up to the loose one which was out of sight to windward. got to her again and lowered mate & 3d mate to tow her a little. got her fluked again at 11-45. sent all hands to dinner. Began to cut at 12-45 and got through at 4: started works stowed away gear and had supper at 7: later. Ship on Port tack heading N. N. E. wind light. So ends this day.

Bedford Mass. Thomas J. Gould Master.

Wednesday January 11<sup>th</sup> 1882. Latitude and Longitude  
South. East  
37° 40' 6° 17'

Came in fine. ship on S. tack heading N.W.  
set upper topsails, jib & fly jib. saw some fin backs,  
flukes at cleaven saw a sulphur-bottom turn flukes;  
at four, hauled up but lower topsails and  
foresail, and run in in the tank.  
Cutting part, at 7:30. hauled fore and mizzen  
lower topsails & ship on S. tack heading W.  
strong but steady breeze.

Thursday January 12<sup>th</sup> S. 38° 06' E. 5° 45'

Ron  
Came in fine. ship on S. tack, a few minutes  
after the mast head was manned Mr. Peters  
raised two Right Whales. They showed no chance  
so we did not disturb them. Set upper topsails  
at wore ship at 6:30. saw nothing till 6:15 at  
night raised two more on weather beam lowered  
1st 2d & 4th mates but they never saw the whales  
Cutting part, finished boiling at 7:30, we have  
35 casks on deck. Wind by light whale top-  
sails set, ship on Port tack heading N.N.W.

Friday January 13<sup>th</sup> S. 38° 35' E. 5° 36'

SB 18 bbls  
(see page 198)

Came in clear bright and calm.  
called all hands at four this  
morning and began to stow, found  
the tank had leaked considerably.  
Finished stowing at about cleaven  
Stowed down 4810 gallons of Right whale oil  
152 bbls 22 gallons, at cleaven, raised (Mr. Morse)  
five more, whales, lowered 1st 2d and 4th mates,  
and Mr. Marshall struck one, and we took  
it along side, the other boats chased them up  
and Mr. Peters struck another. Mr. Walker  
darted but did not fetch his whale. (he has hard luck)  
lost first whale so made all sail and beat up  
to Mr. Peters. took his whale and then run off  
and got Mr. Marshall's, ate supper at six  
and took in one tongue and lips at eight  
sent all hands off to sleep. Carpenter standing  
watch. fine nice weather. Main & mizzen top  
sails set, ship heading S.W. by S.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Saturday January 14<sup>th</sup> 1882 <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>East</sup> Longitude

38° 09' 6" 00'



Came in beautifull weather. Called all hands at about 7 A.M. and began to cut, at 8 two raised Right whales on Port bow, at 9 lowered the mate, we went on but the whale was too close, came aboard again, as there was no use to chase him, started works and stood away gear. Scatter part, fine and clear, almost calm. Ship on S. tack heading S. by W. lower topsails set.

Sunday January 15<sup>th</sup> S. 38° 38' E. 5° 42'

<sup>Cutting</sup> <sup>accidents</sup> Came in calm and fine. Ship on starboard tack made sail and steered S. W. all day. breeze very light. broke out shooks this morning. At about 2-30: Joe Davis, cut his right into with a blubberoom spade. Capt. dressed it and at five he was comfortable. Capt. Gallett, slackened up the Tourniquet, but did not dare to take it off.

Scatter part. handed all but lower topsails and huffed to on S. tack heading N. N. E. wind very light. nothing seen to day.

Monday January 16<sup>th</sup> S. 39° 10' E. 5° 40'

<sup>Ship</sup> Came in fine, but by this ship on S. tack raised a sail on the weather quarter. It was ship at nine o'clock. At work setting up shooks, at 10-30 the sail passed us. But it showed no collars, she was a full rigged ship. Scatter part. Ship on Port tack, whole topsails set, (almost calm) heading S. W. by W. shall finish hoisting in an hour. Saw a lot of Penguins round the ship.

Tuesday January 17<sup>th</sup> S. 39° 27' E. 5° 36'

<sup>Sail</sup> <sup>Stowed</sup> Came in clear and calm. Ship on S. tack heading W. have been at work, stowing down water between decks, sails in the sail room and 156 bbls. stowing in the run. Stowed 495 gallons of 1 gal R.W. Right Whale oil in the after hold. got through at 6-30 P.M. A Norwegian bark exchanged collars with us. passed close to us, steering S. E. by S. Scatter part on same tack, heading W. by S.

New Bedford, Thomas A. Hallott Master.

Wednesday January 18<sup>th</sup> 1882. Latitude and Longitude  
South. East.  
40° 50' 5° 33'

Came in with brisk breeze. set upper topsails and  
Mainsail. ship on S. tack heading S.S.W.  
At work scraping bone. saw nothing.  
This morning at 3 o'clock Bills ship burnt up.  
Scatter part. strong breeze ship on S. tack  
close hauled courses. fly and lower top sails  
heading S.W. by S.

Thursday January 19<sup>th</sup> S. 42° 18' E.

Came in with strong Northerly wind. ship  
on S. tack. set upper main topsail and N.W.  
G. sail and squared the yards steering South.  
at 8<sup>th</sup> A.M. luffed too on Port tack heading  
E.N.E. and hauled T.G. sail. finished  
scraping bone. At 2-30 P.M. hauled upper  
topsail and at four. Mainsail. at five hauled  
fore and mizzen topsail. and at 6. the  
fore sail and fore topmast stay sail. and  
set fore stay sail. Seatest. Blowing like  
siffling whistling through blocks and rigging.  
heavy sea. shining. hatch bars on. shutters in  
the skylights. Under lower main topsail  
and fore stay sail. short warp on the wind  
box all ready to goose wing. boats on the  
upper fleet. Baluster at 29.5.  
Ship on Port heading E by N.

Friday January 20<sup>th</sup> S. E.

Came in blowing hard ship on Port tack  
set courses and lower topsails. heavy sea.  
Scatter part steering N.E. same sail set  
strong breeze. old ship burying her head at  
every jump.

Saturday January 21<sup>st</sup> S. 38° 33' E. 8° 04'

Came in fine. set all sail and steered N  $\frac{1}{2}$  E.  
Bark. lowered the boats on the common fleet. bent new  
main tacks. fly jib pendant and M.C. stay sail  
halls. at 5<sup>th</sup> A.M. raised a whale on weather  
beam. she run down and at 8: spoke us. proving  
to be the Chas W. Morgan. Capt. Keith.  
Capt. Hallott. has gone aboard. Capt. came back  
at 11-15 A.M. she kept on. bound for Gadjet  
7 mos. out with 160 bbls. sperm.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger, of.

Sunday January 22<sup>d</sup> 1882. <sup>South.</sup> Latitude  $37^{\circ} 33'$  <sup>East.</sup> Longitude  $7^{\circ} 42'$

Came in very fine ship steering  $N\frac{1}{2}E$ . wind S. all sail set. Middle part, wind hauled to East. Scatter part, the same, all sail set steering  $N\frac{1}{2}E$ . fine weather light breeze. So ends this day.

Monday January 23<sup>d</sup> S  $36^{\circ} 00' E$ .  
Came in fine ship, on Stack steering  $N\frac{1}{2}W$ . all sail set. Sent down and repacked fore upper topsail, and fly-jib and sent the Main Top-gallant stay-sail.  
Steered about N.N.W. Scatter part, hauled Top-gallant sails and fly-jib, and tacked ship, are now close hauled on Port tack heading E. by N. strong breeze.

Tuesday January 24<sup>th</sup> S  $34^{\circ} 55' E$ . 6<sup>o</sup> 04<sup>m</sup>  
Sail. Came in blowing strong. Ship on Port stack, lower topsail set. At six made all sail, but had all but lower topsail and fore sail, in, before eleven o'clock. At ten raised a sail ahead, supposed to be a whale, on same tack as she went out of sight at twelve. At work today cleaning try works and all the things. Cooked black pot &c. Scatter part, on same tack under lower topsails and fore sail strong breeze. ship heading N by W.

Wednesday January 25<sup>th</sup> S  $34^{\circ} 30' E$ . 5<sup>o</sup> 58<sup>m</sup>  
Sam. Came in fine, and calm set all sail on Port tack, at nine A.M. passed a sail on lee bow. Cleared ship fore and aft. At 4:30 P.M. the boat from the bark, which proved to be the Hercules, came along side. We are the only whaler she has seen. She has taken 220 lbs this season, 245 since leaving Stabenday. Scatter part, still calm ship on P. tack.

New Bedford, Thomas J. Hallitt, Master.

Thursday January 26th 1882. South. East.  
Latitude & Longitude  
33° 30' 6° 25'

Gaming. Came in calm. all sail set on ~~P~~ tack heading all ways. gaming all day. Scatter part. Capt MacKinnon went home, and we are on Port tack.

Friday January 27th S. 33° 14' E. 6° 32' Came in calm. all sail set on ~~P~~ tack Broke out Royal yards, painted them and tarred the Royal rigging. Washed the ship outside. At four Capt. Hallitt went to the Hercules, and her mate and third mate came here. Scatter part. calm. ship on Port tack all sail set heading about N.N.E. Capt. Hallitt came back at 810 o'clock.

Sail. Saturday January 28th S. 32° 20' E. 4° 47' Came in calm with frequent little breezes all sail set steering N.E. N.W. Employed painting iron work. Lost sight of the Hercules at four P.M. Scatter part. steering N.W. all sail set with nice breeze.

Sunday January 29th S. 31° 30' E. 3° 28' Came in fine S. ship heading C.W. wind hove off to N. before noon, at four wind hove to S.W. Scatter part, all sail set close hauled to a good breeze, heading N.C.W. Saw a school of porpoises.

Monday January 30th S. 31° 50' E. 00° 33' Came in fine with nice breeze, steering N.W. at 9: squared up and steered W by N. Hove off to S.W. Employed tarring rattling stuff and general ship's duty, at 11: raised a white water. Stared for it an hour and then kept our course. Scatter part. light breeze from S.E. All sail set steering West.

Tuesday January 31st S. 32° 35' 00° 45' Came in with very light breeze, steering W. Crossed main and mizzen Royal, and did odd jobs. Scatter part all most calm, set the royals steering West.

Remarks on board Ship *Niger* of

Wednesday February 1<sup>st</sup> 1882. Latitude <sup>South</sup> ~~Longitude~~ <sup>West</sup>  
 32° 30' 01° 44'

Shark

Came in fine and calm, staved W. st. at work on iron work, crossed the fore royal, scraped ship outside from a boat. saw a large shark. latter part stirring W. calm almost. Set all three Royals.

Thursday February 2<sup>d</sup> S. 33° 00' W. 2° 45'  
 Came in calm, by noon there sprung up quite a breeze, at work on iron work. at five handed main T. G. staysail and fore top-gallant sail. Scattered part stiff breeze. Ship close hauled on S. tack heading W.S.W.

Friday February 3<sup>d</sup> S. 33° 50' W. 4° 02'  
 Came in with strong breeze ship on Port tack stirring N.W. (close hauled) repaired N.E.T. staysail and wet hold. latter part strong breeze, ship heading C.W.



Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup> S. 33° 30' W. 5° 20'  
 Came in fine, ship on Port tack. Employed all day scraping and oiling port gear. At five-thirty Mr. Peters raised sperm whales on Starboard bow. (Ship on Starboard tack) lowered all four boats, but did not get a chance at one, we saw them in all. Boats came aboard at 7:15. Handled light sail and are now close hauled on S. tack, heading W.N.W. with heavy swell and brisk breeze.

Finback.

Sunday February 5<sup>th</sup> S. 33° 38' W. 5° 27'  
 Came in with squalls and stiff breeze, ship on Port tack, heading C.N.E. at 1:45 raised a Finback. latter part strong breeze, ship close hauled on S. tack, heading S.W. by W. under topsails & courses.

New Bedford Mass. Thomas J. Gallett, Master.

Monday February 6<sup>th</sup> 1882. <sup>South.</sup> Latitude <sup>West.</sup> Longitude  
35° 00' 5° 34'

Barkn.

Came in with light breeze and raise. set  
top gallant sails, ship on S. tack heading  
S.W. at 11:30 raised a Barkentine on weather  
beam. At four P.M. we tacked.  
Latter part. stiff breeze. handed G.G. sails  
and fly jib. full and bye on P. tack heading S.

Tuesday February 7<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 25' W. 6° 16'

Came in fine ship on S. tack. wore round  
at five. under topsails and courses.  
Repaired M. Gallant sail, and broke out water  
and butter. Latter part. ship on Port tack  
heading N.W. light wind and heavy swell.  
topsails & courses set. 42 months out to day

Wednesday February 8<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 18' W. 6° 50'

Came in fine. ship on Port tack. set top  
gallant sails. It worked all day tacking under  
scotch main, and served the S. main sheets.  
Latter part. of S. tack heading C.W. by N.  
strong breeze. handed light sails.

Thursday February 9<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 55' W. 7° 34'

Came in fair ship on S. tack. set light  
sails and handed them at  
Worked in the rigging all day.  
Latter part. bore ship at four. at seven  
handed all but lower topsails. heading N.E. by E.  
with strong breeze

Friday February 10<sup>th</sup> S. 34° 05' W. 7° 50'

Came in fine ship on Port tack heading  
N.C. made all sail. light breeze.  
Worked in the rigging. Latter part. heading  
N.C. almost calm. furled main, and hauled  
the foresail up snug.

Saturday February 11<sup>th</sup> S. W.

Ship

Came in with light wind ship on P. tack heading  
W. wore ship at 5:15. Bent new fore topgallant sail  
and rove new G.G. sheets. Latter part. sailing  
with good breeze ship on S. tack, heading N.C.  
light sails furled. Saw a large ship. on  
S. beam.

Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Sunday February 12<sup>th</sup> 1802. Latitude <sup>South.</sup> 33° 35' West longitude 5° 18'

Came in raining ship on Port tack heading S. under whole topsails. wind increased so before six had everything furled but fore & m. topsails at four P.M. set foresail and m. topsail. latter part blowing hard three topsails & foresail set heading S. on Port tack on a Western Ocean bowline.

Monday February 13<sup>th</sup> S. 33° 35' W. 5° 18'

Ship. Last night wind increased to a gale, took up mizen topsail and foresail but too early gave this morning and the foretopsail soon after. This day came in blowing hard ship on P. tack took the boats on upper parts. [heading E. set the foresail and staved g. C. At eight raised a sail ahead which proved to be the Clipper ship Jeriah Perry (Capt. Chase) laying too under decked fore and main storm staysails and main spars. we passed by her and furred our foresail and tuffed her on Port tack. latter part on same tack heading N by W. fore and main topsails set. blowing hard and heavy sea

Tuesday February 14<sup>th</sup> S. 33° 30' W. 5° 09'

Gam. Came in fine ship on P. tack. Jeriah Perry up to weather quarter. Capt. Hallett went there at eight. he has taken 550 bbls R. W. oil, reported Halcorn with 600. do. Miltom, 95 do. latter part Capt. came home at 7:30 P.M. made all sail but royals. steering C. S. C. light breeze

Wednesday February 15<sup>th</sup> S. 32° 00' W. 2° 48'

Gam. Came in fine ship on S. tack steering C. S. C. Jeriah almost out of sight astern. Have been busy furling down main topmast rigging at four kept E. N. E. till the gullies came up Capt. went aboard after supper gained till run handed all light sails and courses. Time ten P.M. steering E. N. E.

New Bedford Mass. Thomas J. Calleth Master.

Thursday February 16<sup>th</sup> 1882 Latitude <sup>South</sup> 30° 45' Longitude <sup>West</sup> 1° 30'

Ship Came in fine with stiff breeze, steering E.N.E.  
have been rattling fore and main lower  
rigging, Jeremiah off lee beam.  
Leather part, handed all but lower top sail  
and hoisted up on S. tack heading E.N.E.  
Jeremiah astern.

Friday February 17<sup>th</sup> S. 29° 15' W 1° 00'  
Ship Came in fine with strong wind, set main sail.  
steering E.N.E. Jeremiah off lee beam, at ten set  
upper topsails and at 12:30 top gallant sails and  
could just keep up with her under single reefed  
topsails & courses. close hauled. at 6:30 Capt. C. raised  
a white water. Rove new topsail halliards fore and  
aft (so now come down you bonny bunch of roses)  
and overhauled the blocks.  
Leather part good breeze, handed all but lower topsails  
heading E by N.

Saturday February 18<sup>th</sup> S. 28° 46'  
Gam. Came in fair set upper topsails on P. tack heading  
E. N. E. run to leeward of the Jeremiah and took  
her bone aboard and stowed in our van.  
Capt. Calleth then went there and Mr. Smith  
stayed here. her crew went back. Broke out water  
and wet hold. squally all day.  
Leather part, Capt. came back at seven. are  
now close-hauled on P. tack, under topsails  
and courses, with good breeze. heading S. S. W.

Sunday February 19<sup>th</sup> S. 29° 25' W 0° 41'  
Sail Came in fine, set all sail and courses.  
Almost calm all day with little showers.  
Leather part, on S. tack all sail set heading East  
nearly calm. Jeremiah up on weather quarter

Monday February 20<sup>th</sup> S. 29° 22' W 0° 23 $\frac{1}{2}$   
Sail Came in fine, no starboard way, struck in on  
lifts and foot ropes and worked all day on them.  
At three a nice breeze sprung up steered E by S.  
Leather part yards squared steering E by S. royals set  
before a gentle breeze. Jeremiah off S. beam just in  
sight from deck

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Tuesday February 21<sup>st</sup> 1882. Latitude  $29^{\circ} 00'$  Longitude  $2^{\circ} 02'$  South West

Sail. Came in fine seeing tall sail six gun  
in sight on starboard bow  
Worked on Sights and foot-ropes did not  
finish all, but thought it best to part them  
off and wash the bone.  
Latter part. Steaming East. main sail and  
D.G. Sails filled. nice breeze got up bone to soak  
so stand by tomorrow to tread light.

Wednesday February 22<sup>nd</sup> A. M. 27° 22' Q. 4° 18'

Sail. and fore sail staving  $\frac{1}{2}$  by N. nice breeze. Jersar  
on S. bow, went out of sight at 11:30.  
At. commenced to wash boat and washed about  
her on one third. Scatter part. same sail set, staving  
Boat  $\frac{1}{2}$  by  $N\frac{1}{2}$  N. nice breeze. Jersar has sailed round  
us and is on the S. quarter, raised her at 4:30.

Thursday February 23<sup>rd</sup> S. 25° 45' E. 6° 20'

Thursday February 20<sup>th</sup> 1870  
Came in fine steering E by N. Jeriah astern  
Worked all day at home, and have about  
Washing three hours washing for tomorrow.  
Boat. latter part fine, with stiff breeze. Steering  
E  $\frac{1}{2}$  N. under lower topsails and foresail  
Jeriah astern, Saw two patches of  
Humpback feed and some Grampus.

Friday February 24<sup>th</sup> S. 24° 28' E. 7° 45'  
Came in fine steering E 2 N. under lower  
topsail, had all hands from seven till 9:30  
when we finished the boat and rung up  
sent the water below. Broke out water, and at  
noon began to pack boat.  
Saw three large merchantmen, and the  
Jeriah, Sattler part, Jeriah on lee, began  
both of us on S. tack under topsail, heading  
E. S. E.

Saturday February 25<sup>th</sup> S. 23° 28' E. 9° 09' 34"  
Sail. Came in fine. set all sail at five and steered E by N.  
Finished packing box at eleven, packed 4,600 lbs.  
Scatter first strong breeze. Ship under lower  
topsails heading S E by N.  
Firah up on weather quarter.

New Bedford Mass. Thomas A. Gallett Master.

Sunday February 26<sup>th</sup> 1882. <sup>South. East.</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
22° 44' 10° 18'

Gun

Came in fair with strong breeze ship on S. tack. Fired on the land, at six set upper topsails, and staved C.N.C. at one, Capt. F.C. went on board the frigate, and stayed till 6:30. Scatter part. very rough with strong breeze. Handled all but lower topsails and courses by the wind on S. tack heading S. E.

Sail.

Monday February 27<sup>th</sup> S. 22° 15' E. 10° 27' Came in fine. Ship on S. tack heading E. S. E. Went to work putting up lifts and foot ropes at 6:25 raised sperm whales on weather bow. made all sail, ate breakfast and then lowered all four boats. five whales in sight some to leeward and one, one mile on weather beam. they were never seen after the boats went down, where they went is one of the mysteys of these deeps. Called boats back at eleven and stood on Port tack till 2:30 P.M. then tacked ship, and at three raised a sail on lee bow which proved to be the great Berry. At 4:35 the mate raised a large lone whale a mile on weather bow. Lowered Waist & Starboard boats but only saw him once more. worked till dark. Scatter part, hoisted boats at 6:45 and filled all sails but lower topsails on Port tack heading W. S. W. with heavy sea and strong wind.

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Tuesday February 28<sup>th</sup> S. 22° 11' E. 10° 04' Came in fair. Ship on Port tack. made all sail and kept full by; While eating breakfast Carpenter raised a large lone whale on weather beam. lowered the three port boats. (whale going to leeward quick.) at eight 30, and at 9:45, the mate struck and then the third mate struck and killed him with Pierces gun. got him along side at eleven, began to cut at one and got case in by seven. Ship on S. tack heading E. by S. under three lower topsails, staff breeze. All hands turned in but boatsteers who keep kind of anchor watch. So ends February.

## Remarks on board Ship Vigil of.

Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup> 1882. <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>10° 2'</sup> Longitude <sup>22° 00' Q. 51'</sup>

Boiling. Came in fine, called all hands at 4:30 and started work at 5:15 got the cased overboard at seven o'clock and started fires. sent one watch off below. At two set fore and upper topsails and jib. heading W.S.W. finished junk at 5 P.M. and wore ship. Scatter part on S. tack heading E.S.E. under lower topsails and fore sail. Boiling merrily.

Thursday March 2<sup>d</sup> S. 21° 46' E. 10° 2'

Finback. Came in fine ship on S. tack boiling. at six set upper topsails and jibs. at five saw a white water on lee bow sun off but saw no more of it. saw one finback. Scatter part, fine, with stiff wind. handed upper top sails and jib. on S. tack heading E.S.E. Boiling

Friday March 3<sup>d</sup> S. 21° 35' E. 10° 2'

Came in fine finished boiling at 12:45 P.M. last night and put fat and lean in. This forenoon cleaned jaw and teeth pipes and general odd jobs. Accidents. At two raised a sail which proved to be the Alice Howles. Capt. H. went aboard at 3:45, and came back at 4:30. They have taken 300 bbls this season. Shoemaker got his hand jambed, badly. He now on S. tack heading S.E. heavy sea and strong breeze. Lower topsails set.

Saturday March 4<sup>th</sup> S. 21° 00' E. 10° 2'

Came in fine. Broke out after hold and stow Stoved oil 2059 gallons of body and 703 gall. of head 870 87 pbls. 22 gall. in all, steered off N.E. all day. Sperm. Saw the Alice this morning. Sail. Scatter part, close hauled on Port tack fine weather, quite rough sea.

New Bedford Thomas A. Hallett Master

Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup> 1882 <sup>South.</sup> <sup>East.</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
 $20^{\circ} 35'$   $8^{\circ} 58'$

Came in fine. ship on Port tack. set fore and main upper topsails and steered W.N.W. all day saw blackfish and porpoises this morning. Scatter part. handed upper topsails and wore ship. are now close hauled on S. tack heading E.S.E.

Monday March 6<sup>th</sup> S.  $20^{\circ} 30'$  E.  $8^{\circ} 20'$   
 Came in with strong breeze ship on S. tack.  
 More ship and steered W.N.W. commenced to rattle down Port fore rigging and main top mast, and began on main. Scatter part wore ship. are now heading E.S.E. furled foresail, strong breeze.

Tuesday March 7<sup>th</sup> S. E.  
 Came in fine, ship on S. tack, heading E by S.  
 More ship at 5:30 and steered W.N.W. under topsails, all day. Tared fore and aft stay and all the fore mast rigging.  
 Scatter part. wore ship again, are now on S. tack heading E.S.E. under lower topsails, and fore stay sail. blowing brisk.

Wednesday March 8<sup>th</sup> S.  $19^{\circ} 55'$  E.  $6^{\circ} 36'$   
 Came in with strong breeze ship on S. tack heading E by S. braced round and steered W.N.W. Tared rigging all day. Saw kelp. Scatter part. are now on S. tack heading E. same sail as yesterday. strong breeze.

Thursday March 9<sup>th</sup> S.  $20^{\circ} 19'$  E.  $6^{\circ} 55'$   
 Came in fine & set foresail fore and main upper topsails and jib and steered E.  
 Made new fly fish foot ropes and tared round dead eyes and lanyards. Scatter part ship heading E.S.E. same sail set. light breeze and heavy swell.

Friday March 10<sup>th</sup> S.  $18^{\circ} 55'$  E.  $7^{\circ} 30'$   
 Came in fine with light breeze set all sail but main sail steering S.S.E.  
 Scatter part fine weather steering same

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Saturday March 11th 1882 <sup>South, Lat 18° 50' S</sup> Latitude Long <sup>8° 25'</sup>

Came in fine, steering S.E. by E. all sail but mainsail set. finished all the tarring we shall do at sea. spliced starboard jib-guy, and wet hold. Scatter part close hauled on S. tack, light breeze, heading S.E. by E.

Sunday March 12th S. 18° 45' E. 9° 26' Came in with gentle breeze and smooth sea. Ship on S. tack all sail but mainsail set. Took in jib & fly-jib guys new spliced the hooks in, served them and set them up again. Only unnecessary work done on sunday this voyage. Scatter part. Steered E. by N. all day are now heading E. by E. fine still evening

Monday March 13th S. 17° 50' E. 10° 10' Came in fine, ship on S. tack all sail set. Braced round at eight and steered N.W. by N. more again at two, and braced back on port tack at 6. Scatter part, steering N.W. by N. stiff breeze, foretopgallantail and mainsail furled. Followed no work to day on account of working yesterday.

Tuesday March 14th S. 17° 12' E. 7° 55' Came in fine on Port tack steering S. by W. with good breeze, no work to odd jobs. Scatter part fine breeze, steering W.N.W. same sail set as yesterday

Wednesday March 15th S. 16° 55' E. 5° 30' Came in fine, steering W.N.W. with good breeze. At seven bells (fourth watch) the third mate raised a school of sperm whales, lowered at 11:45, and the Mate and third mate stood the school (it going to leeward), took the Master whale at about two, and he went off again, took 3<sup>d</sup> mate at 3:30, and the other boats at 5:30, ate supper and got up gear all ready to walk to the right tomorrow at daylight. Are now on S. tack heading S.E. boatswain standing watches, only



New Bedford Thomas J. Sallott, Master.

Thursday March 6<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> <sup>South</sup> Latitude <sup>East</sup> Longitude  
16° 52' 55 16'

Came in fine, set the upper top sails and began to cut, got the last piece in at ten minutes to twelve, set main and mizzen top gallant sails, and stood on S. tack calm. Scatter part, boiling lively ship on S. tack heading E.S.E. light breeze, hauled top gallant sails.

Wednesday March 7<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 57' E. 5° 04'  
Boiling. Came in fine, good breeze, ship on S. tack wore ship at 8: and set jib and main top gallant sails, heading W.S.W. close hauled. It then raised a spout on lee bow, saw it several times that was all. Scatter part, nearly done boiling ship on Port tack heading W.S.W.

Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup> S. 17° 20' E. 3° 44'  
Came in fine. Dismasted, boiling first watch last night. Bailed off fat lean. Cleaved jaws and did other odd jobs. After noon, broke out flour and butter, staved W.N.W. all day. Scatter part, steering same, yards square. good breeze.

Sunday March 19<sup>th</sup> S. 17° 18' E. 1° 23'  
Came in fine, good breeze, steering N.W. N.  
St. four, left off S.W. Scatter part, same.

Monday March 20<sup>th</sup> S. 16° 15' ~~W.~~ <sup>E.</sup> West 10'  
Stowed. Came in fine I ship, steering N.W. at six hours down, all but lower topsails, and braced round and steered N.E. After part good breeze, braced gallant sharp on S. tack, heading E.N.E. under stern lower topsails. Stowed down 2612 gallons sperm oil or 82 bbls 29 gallons.

Tuesday March 21<sup>st</sup> S. 15° 15' W. 04'  
Came in fine, ship on S. tack, set fore and main topsails and staved. By E. hauled mizzen top gallant rigging, at six P.M. braced round set main sail mizzen top & main top gallant sails and jib and staved W. by N. good stiff breeze.

Remarks on board Ship Niger on  
Wednesday 21 March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1882. Spottedide <sup>South</sup> Longitude <sup>West</sup>  
16° 42' 2° 39'

Came in with ship's crew all sail set  
steering W by S. Scrapped spars and did  
other odd jobs, latter part steering N.W by W.  
set royals in a breeze.

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> 1882. S.H. 55° 17' 4° 34'  
Came in with good breeze which did not  
stop light rain in the middle part.  
Latitude part fine weather, set the royals.  
steering S.W by W  $\frac{1}{2}$  W. light breeze.

Anchored. Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> S. D.

Came in in raised land at daylight  
three points on lee bow, stood along  
with light breeze and anchored at two  
anchor foul'd and we drifted into  
Milton did no damage to her and only  
carried away our after blade to the starboard  
boat.

Conundrum  
In Solomon was the son of David, and  
Joab the son of Jeriah what relation  
was Jeriah to Joab. ans. Math.

New Bedford, Thomas & Francis Castle.

St. Helena, Faroe Logs.

Saturday March 25th.

Painted spars. Sarah Perry arrived and the  
Wanderer sailed for home at this date.

Sunday March 26th.  
Starboard written on liberty.

Monday March 27th.  
Steamer Granville, Little, arrived at four  
this morning. The men shifting provisions  
in after hold, to stowing oil. Morning Star, sailed  
for home.

Tuesday March 28th.  
One gang painting spars and the other stowing  
oil from Ship Sarah Perry.

Wednesday March 29th.  
Finished painting spars. Stowed oil between  
decks.

Thursday March 30th.  
Stowing oil in the between decks, took out lumber  
and forward tank. Took all the oil we are going  
to. A few wasted shift called the Tweddale  
of Glasgow 1490 tons passed by. Sea Ranger  
and Pioneer sailed.

Friday March 31st.  
Finished stowing all out fore hold.  
Sent, Davis and other stuff to the Melton  
and Eliza Adams.

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Remarks on board a Ship Viper, of  
St. Helena Harbor, 1882.

Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup>  
Received one hundred barrels of water  
and finished cleaning fore hold.  
Painted some.

Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Port watch on Liberty.

Monday April 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Are painting ship out side. Starboard watch  
on Liberty. Alice Knowles arrived,  
Petal Sunbeam and Tropic Bird sailed  
Sunbeam laid off till Tuesday

Tuesday April 4<sup>th</sup>  
Painted ship. Port watch on Liberty.  
Stafford arrived. The Prince Arthur sailed  
Lattice Beard sailed for home and the  
Greyhound sailed to cruise

Sunbeam went off for home  
Wednesday April 5<sup>th</sup>  
Finished painting and did odd jobs.

Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup>  
Bent mizzen and main upper topsail out  
all sails and are all ready for sea.

Friday April 7<sup>th</sup>  
Ship Harbinger from London arrived.  
Painted the boats again.

Saturday April 8<sup>th</sup>  
Received all odd stores from shore and  
cleared decks. The ship Saxon of London  
arrived and the Kathleen sailed. Whaler  
ships in harbor now are the Eliza Adams  
Milton, Fisher Boy, Alice Knowles  
Strind, and K. W. 1<sup>st</sup>  
at 4:15 A.M. the allett came aboard we  
have short and set all sail, at five run out  
through the fleet with cheers and waving of  
handkerchiefs. Last all sail set steering  
N.W. with good breeze

New Bedford, Mass. Thomas & Hallett. Master.

Sunday April 9th 1802. Latitude <sup>South</sup> 41° 46' Longitude <sup>West</sup> 7° 19'

Came in fine with good breeze, furled royals at daylight. Raised a sail astern at seven. Sailed this morning a brother on starboard bow, at two P.M. Scatter part, set the royals at six steering N.N.W. Rounding home to clear Columbia.

Monday April 10th S. 43° 15' W. 5° 56'  
Came in fine S. with steady but light breeze passed the merchantman that was ahead, at three this morning, and the ship that was astern passed us at ten A.M. we hauled. Royals at daylight broke out and set up shrouds. William Gunnah came out the fore hold at seven, a deserter from the Eliza Adams. Scatter part, set the royals at six. Ship passing in sight ahead. The other one out of sight astern steering N.N.W. with a nice gentle breeze

Tuesday April 11th S. 42° 00' W. 10° 25'  
Came in fine S. with light breeze, took in royals at six. Set up shrouds. Scatter part set the royals steering N.N.W. with gentle breeze. The merchantman still in sight ahead.

Wednesday April 12th S. 40° 45' W. 11° 47'  
Came in fine took in royals at six. Hauled part very hot light breeze. Scatter part, quite a nice breeze [not so hot] set royals and hauled off main sheet, steering N.N.W.

See page 217 Thursday April 13th S. 39° 40' W. 12° 50'  

 Came in fine, with a nice breeze which increased as the sun rose; hauled royals and at 6:30 A.M. Mouse raised a school of sperm whales, lowered four boats and each got one and lanced several, two of which did and we got them, we got up the boats and everything snug at 12:30 and finished at 6:15. Scatter part, set royals with good breeze steering N.N.W. The watch at work cutting up blubber.

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## Remarks on board Ship Niger, of

Friday April 14<sup>th</sup> 1882. Latitude <sup>South</sup> ~~15° 10' 30"~~ <sup>15° 25' 30"</sup> W. Long.

Came in fine. Cleared fore royal and a boatswain and hand stood out to head shore. Raiser Ascension island Land. at nine this morning began to blow on fine. Lat 15° 25' 30" passed the island and stood N.W. all three royals set with eight flogs

Saturday April 15<sup>th</sup> S. 7° 15' W. 15° 49' Came in fine. Took in fore royal. Finished baling and put fath. and in my eleven. Middle part. were very light flogs; and had and washed deck. Tacked past noon royal, steer'd N.N.W. with light breeze and warm air. Our old ship rolling on to right Columbia, slow.

Sunday April 16<sup>th</sup> S. 6° 15' W. 17° 05' Came in fine, hoisted fore royal. Tacked past. Caught two ship jacks. Set fore royal. Light breeze. Mercury at deck 84.5. Stood 80° in the shade and 108° in the sun.

Monday April 17<sup>th</sup> S. 5° 15' W. 18° 18' Came in fine, steering N.N.W. Handled fore royal and sent a boatswain and hand up. Scrapped and coattared guns. Tacked past steering N.W. by N  $\frac{1}{2}$  E. set fore royal, gentle breeze.

Tuesday April 18<sup>th</sup> S. 4° 10' W. 20° 07' Came in fine, hoisted fore royal and manned masthead. Stowed bobs in the fore and did odd jobs. Lat 4° 10' N. by compass. rain and a (dreaded) calm. steering N.W. by N  $\frac{1}{2}$  N. by compass.

New Bedford, Thomas A. Gallott Master  
 Wednesday April 19<sup>th</sup> 1882. <sup>South. West.</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
<sup>3° 05'</sup> <sup>21° 36'</sup>

Came in sight of a green Island about  
 1660 fathoms or square. At this point we  
 took a good zig-zag course and took gallant flag  
 1660 fathoms and named the main sheet at 5.  
 1660 fathoms. Later part of the day set fore royal  
 54 bbls. steering N.W. by N. by compass.

Thursday April 20<sup>th</sup> S. 2° W. N. 23° 05 $\frac{1}{4}$   
 Fine air and much good breeze. Sailed  
 fore royal, etc. took two jib backs  
 and frequent rains all day.  
 Later part, light breeze set fore royal, steering  
 N.W. by compass.

Friday April 21<sup>st</sup> S. 1° 00' W. 24° 46'  
 Came in sight of a good breeze, steering N.W.  
 took in fore royal. etc. up royal. at noon  
 some wind missing. took down the fore royal  
 forecastle down, took off ballasts, etc etc.  
 etc. then raised a sail on starboard bow  
 steering to the southward & westward  
 etc. after part, raised another sail. set fore royal  
 light breeze. with frequent showers.  
 To night will be the last time we see  
 the starry southern cross.

Saturday April 22<sup>d</sup> N. 00 08' W. 26° 10'  
 Came in sight of a good light breeze.  
 hauled in course and named, westward.  
 From noon Monday evening with threatening  
 clouds passing the rock, at 10:45, a German  
 barkentine passed, and exchanged colors.  
 Later part, set fore royal. very light breeze.  
 steering N.W. by compass.  
 Passed the line and now the dipper hangs  
 aglittering in the sky.

Sunday April 23<sup>d</sup> N. 1° 12' W. 26° 40'  
 Came in sight at seven thirty, it blew a gale  
 and rained all day. cloudy all day.  
 Later part, light air set fore royal steering  
 N.W. by compass.

## Remarks on board Ship Viger, of

11 Conway April 24<sup>th</sup> 1882 Latitude  $2^{\circ} 05'$  North. Longitude  $27^{\circ} 15'$  West.

Came in fine, with fair wind.  
 Steered N.E. & N.W., removed all the spare  
 spars from the masts and washed them;  
 set up mizzen royal backstays.  
 Later part of day sharp SW. tack,  
 calm, all sail set heading N.W. by  
 compass.

Tuesday April 25<sup>th</sup> N  $3^{\circ} 00'$  W.  $27^{\circ} 45'$   
 Came in fine and calm, had one squall  
 about nine which lasted an hour.  
 Covered new grates with canvas,  
 and did odd jobs.  
 Scattered part Calm, steering N.W. by  
 compass.

Wednesday April 26<sup>th</sup> N  $3^{\circ} 25'$  W.  $28^{\circ} 01'$   
 Came in calm and hot, broke out ice and  
 wineglasses, employed at odd jobs  
 finished painting in the cabin  
 and painted in the house.  
 Scattered part rainy and calm.  
 all sail set steering N.W. by compass  
 The mercury has been  $84^{\circ}$  in the shade  
 every day since we passed Ascension.

Thursday April 27<sup>th</sup> N  $3^{\circ} 35'$  W.  $28^{\circ} 22'$   
 Came in calm and very warm.  
 at four P.M. had a squall.  
 Scattered part calm and warm.

Friday April 28<sup>th</sup>, N  $4^{\circ} 10'$  W.  $20^{\circ} 55'$   
 Came in fog, and raining hard  
 at 7: raised a sail ahead, at ten  
 she passed within 3 or 4 miles of us, and  
 hoisted the English flag, and her signals  
 which we could not make out, said clouds  
 which looked like trade wind squalls  
 on weather bow. had a very light breeze  
 all the afternoon. Scattered part steering  
 N.N.W. by compass. wind light and about  
 N.E. saw two other sails

New Bedford Thomas J. Hallett & Master.

Saturday April 27th 1862. <sup>North</sup> Latitude <sup>35° 30' N</sup> Longitude <sup>50° 20' 30" W</sup>

At about noon last evening it began to Trade. blew a gale all day long, and the morning we struck the Strong North East Trades. raised fore royal and main yards. Sailed at odd jobs. Settled part, strong wind, every stick of canvas set, steering N. W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  N. by compass. Rolling on towards night, Columbia, on a western ocean wave.

Variation  $15^{\circ}$  W. Sunday April 30th N.  $7^{\circ} 00' W$   $33^{\circ} 31'$   
Came in with strong wind, hauled royals at three this morning. Steering N. W. At noon set main & mizzen royals. Settled part, set fore royal, strong wind about N. E. by N. by compass, steering N. W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  N. by compass. Set up fore top gallant backstay.

Monday April 31st

I see a hand ye cannot see.  
Which beckons me away;  
I hear a voice ye cannot hear,  
Which says I must not stay.

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Remarks on board Ship Niger of  
May 1st Monday. Latitude <sup>North</sup> ~~Longitude~~ <sup>West</sup>  
8° 45' <sup>10'</sup>

Came in with strong wind, steering  
N.W. all sail set. No work today.  
Scatter part set fore royal, steering  
N.W. by compass. Strong wind  
ship going about three points free.

Tuesday May 2d N. 10° 28' W. 3° 57'  
Came in to Bloo last evening, hauled  
royal at 8:30, very strong breeze.  
Set royal in the morning watch.  
This morning had brisk breeze, hauled  
fore royal and sent boatswain and hand up.  
Killed our last hog today.  
Scatter part strong breeze every rag set  
steering N.W. <sup>2</sup> N. by compass.

Wednesday May 3d N. 12° 28' W. 4° 46'  
Came in with strong breeze, all sail set.  
Painted rudder head and case, and  
wet hold. Scatter part strong wind  
steering N.W. <sup>1</sup> N. by compass.  
all sail set. Made best run the passage 206 miles.

Thursday May 4th N. 14° 18' W. 44° 36'  
Came in with good breeze, steering N.W.  
Began to paint and finished at 5:45,  
At 3:30 raised sperm whales, close to  
the ship we gallied them so could not  
lower. Scatter part, stiff breeze, steering  
N.W. <sup>1</sup> N. fore royal furled.

Friday May 5th. N. 16° 10' W. 47° 23'  
Came in fine with good breeze but not so  
strong as yesterday. Gave her the second  
coat of paint and she looks nice.  
Scatter part set fore royal, steering  
N.W. by compass. Saw gulf weed for the  
first time.

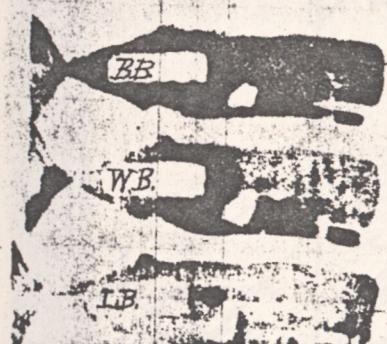
Saturday May 6th. N. W.

New Bedford, Thomas A. Hallitt Master.

Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup> 1882. North  $17^{\circ} 55'$  West  $49^{\circ} 42'$  Latitude  $31^{\circ} 3$  Longitude



Came in fine. took in fore royal and mainmast head. good breeze. At nine raised two sails on the bow. And at 9:30 raised a school of sperm whales close on the bow. the ship gallied them so they have to. we lowered four boats and got three. Starboard Sails. Starboard & Waist boats. got the boats up at three and the largest whale cut in by seven. commenced to work at about 4:30. Spatter part handed all but the six top sails & jib. steering N.W. S. to gulf weed.



Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup> S.  $18^{\circ} 52' W$   $51^{\circ} 31 \frac{3}{4}$  Came in fine. called all hands and began work at 5:30. and finished cutting at 7:30 set all sail but fore royal and mainsail and steered N.W. started work after breakfast and sent a lever & hand to mast-head, and got everything snug by three PM at four Devine raised a school of sperm whales, lowered three boat boats, and got three to S. W. and B. boats. Mr. House carried away his mast, thought but pulled onto one stern of the ship and got her. Spatter part nice even then handed fore & main top gallant sail and steered N.W.

Monday May 8<sup>th</sup> N.  $19^{\circ} 33' W$   $52^{\circ} 51'$  Came in with a quick shower. at five called all hands and began to work. got up gear and one whale in by seven, and ate breakfast. at eight began again and finished by 10:30, set all sail but fore royal and mainsail and steered N.W. 2 N. Spatter part. set fore royal boiling merrily. steering same. light breeze. saw lots of gulf weed floating by. broke out water.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger, of

Tuesday May 9<sup>th</sup> 1862. <sup>North</sup> Latitude <sup>West</sup> Longitude  
20° 40' 54° 00'

Came in fine with light breeze.

Finished hoisting at about eight and put out  
on fat-bean. Middle part almost bare.  
Saw gulls and little part scrubbed deck  
and put everything straight. wind very  
light set fore royal, steering N.W. by compass.Wednesday May 10<sup>th</sup> N. 20° 50' W. 54° 41'Came in with light breeze which did  
out calm. Employed at a little of our time  
Sail. to pass time at. Here saw blackfish and  
Black. at 5: saw a sail on starboard beam and  
Fish. a nice breeze springing up. Scatter part, light  
breeze, braced sharp on starboard tack  
fore royal furled steering N.W. 2 N.  
Saw lots of Gulf weedThursday May 11<sup>th</sup> N. 21° 49' W. 56° 15'Came in fine with good breeze,  
Sail. a bark passed the stern about 6: o'clock 3 miles  
Hump off, steering about S.W. and a schooner passed  
back. ahead of us at ten steering same. a steamer  
stowed passed, we saw her smoke, stowed down  
down 2.680 gallons, and straightened up everything.  
2.678 gallons. At 5:30 P.M. sighted humpbacks, one lee bow  
2.700. Scatter part, set fore royal steering N.W. 2 N.  
20 gall. by starboard, wind light and fluffy.  
Spar oilFriday May 12<sup>th</sup> N. 23° 08' W. 57° 51'Came in with light breeze.  
Washed the spoke stars, put them in their  
place and painted them. Saw gulf weed.  
Scatter part nice little breeze steering N.W. 2 N.  
all sail set. wind abeam.Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup> N. 24° 32' W. 59° 38'Plank Came in fine, light breeze steering N.W. 2 N.  
Gymnas. Saw a large plank squared the yards at 12:00.  
Brig. off two ships off the N.W. 2 N. saw a brig.  
Scatter part light breeze from S.E. steering  
N.W. by N.  
Saw one Gymnas.  
1247 miles from Bedford.

New Bedford, Thomas S. Galleth Master

Tuesday May 14<sup>th</sup> 1882. Latitude & Longitude  
North. West  
26° 05' 61° 09'

Came in fine wind about S.W. braced it.  
was a little to port. steering N.W. of  
N. Saw a barkentine steering N.C.  
Latter part. set fore royal. steering N.W. 1/4 N.

Two  
Sails.

Wednesday May 15<sup>th</sup> N. 27° 30' W. 62° 45'  
Came in fine with gentle breeze. steering N.W.  
1/4 N. had a rain squall. middle watch.  
Scraped windlass and painted it.  
Saw two sails. Officers took masthead.  
Latter part rainy and calm almost.  
Steering N.W. by compass.

Bob.

Tuesday May 16<sup>th</sup> N. 28° 38' W. 64° 07'  
True course N.W. distance made good 108 miles.  
Came in fine. wind S.E. by S.  
Rigged masthead with officer boatswain & hand.  
Employed at shooting. Saw a box.  
Latter part. set fore royal. wind S.E.  
Steering N.W. by compass. Set patent log  
at half past three.

Wednesday May 17<sup>th</sup> N. 30° 10' W. 65° 30'  
Last night in middle watch, it blew very strong.  
Sail. with heavy rain. took in royals and  
mizzen & jib. and saw. set them at daylight.  
Wreck with little breeze from S. by E. raised a week  
on port bow under small sail. she made sail  
at daylight. A fine wind hauled to W. S. W.  
and did away light. At 12:30 raised a wreck  
on S. bow run off. and found her to be the  
ship masted schooner William S. Morse  
of Boston 209 tons. Igit a boat to her. found her loaded  
with lumber. looked as though all three  
masts had been cut away. port ballast  
and chains gone. rudder head gone to the deck.  
nothing at all left aboard. of her. chains over  
the windlass, anchors gone, water swashing  
over her looked dismal enough.  
Latter part. set fore royal. steering N.W.  
wind aft and very light.

## Remarks on board Ship Niger of

Thursday May 18th 1882. Latitude <sup>North</sup> 31° 03' Longitude <sup>West</sup> 66° 50'

Sails. Came in sailing back, and calm  
 Sailing light on port beam,  
 light breeze blowing up at 8: raised another  
 sail on port quarter, at 10: strong by, &  
 steering up. Sailed past, light breeze  
 steering S. E. full sail set wind full.  
 left both barks out of sight astern.

Friday May 19th N. 32° 20' W. 66° 45'

Sails. Came in fair, but commenced to rain  
 at 5:30, two sails off port quarter.  
 at 7: raised a bark ahead, maneuvering  
 round, thought she wanted to speak.  
 Our chum came in sight on port beam  
 at 12: wind hauled to N. N. E. broad  
 sharp on S. tack heading N. N. E. at 2:00  
 it cleared off plesant. raised a sail on  
 S. quarter, a full rigged ship, a brig passed at 12:30  
 latter part, close hauled on S. tack  
 all sails set steering N. N. E. light breeze.

Saturday May 20th N. 32° 15' W. 65° 16'

Sails. Came in with strong wind from N. E.  
 passed to port with last night.  
 heading S. W. N. W. few first sails.  
 scraped sky light breeze. at 2:00 set  
 topgallant sails, heading about N. W. by N.  
 latter part the same.

Sunday May 21st N. 32° 25' W. 64° 41'

Sails. Came in fine with light breeze, on port  
 quarter, ship on S. beam going about  
 E. N. E. Steered N. by West. all day  
 at 4 raised a batten line on P. bow  
 she passed within 3 miles.  
 latter part light breeze steering N. 2° W.  
 wind W. by N.

New Bedford, Thomas A. Gallett Master.

Monday May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1882. <sup>North.</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
32° 22' 70° 20'

Came in with a north east wind right  
fogged with haze and did other parts  
fogged 5 miles east 24 hours.  
Leaves port steering N. 2° W. wind right  
8:00 A. M. all sail set.

Tuesday May 23<sup>rd</sup> N. 33° 00' W. 70° 2'

Change in tack. Sailed with less  
Steamer left room with a square sail.  
Sail. Raised a green sail steering about N. W.  
just saw for first time back of four miles  
a sail on S. bow. Left part. Calm.  
Steering N by W. all sail set.

Wednesday May 24<sup>th</sup> N. 34° 30' W. 70° 7'

Came in with good little breeze which did  
not last noon. With a rain squall struck a  
Sail. porpoise. Leathers part. wind hauled round  
to N. E. with heavy rain. all sail set  
steering N by W. just now  
Raised two sails steering to the southward  
one on lee-beam and one on lee-bow.

Thursday May 25<sup>th</sup> N. 35° 40' W. 71° 21'

Came in fine light wind aft. at 6:30  
Schooner. Rained a gale, passed within a mile  
of our quarter close hauled on S. tack  
Leather part. steering N by W. wind W. by S.  
blowing stiff all sail set fine weather.  
Passed large patches of gulf weed large as the  
ship's deck. Headward homeward to Columbia  
blow ye steady winds blow.

Friday May 26<sup>th</sup> N. 37° 15' W. 71° 27'

Wind hauled east right at 10:30 ship going up  
to N. E. big small at 10. hauled light sail  
Unrigged cotton stage and boats today.  
Sailed the New Stream. Headed up all  
day from N. W. by E. to N. W. at six P.M. signalled  
a Norwegian bark her longitude was 70° 44' steer  
outward bound. So far. All sail set steering  
N 2° W. stiff breeze.

102 *Ship Niger* ofSaturday 27th May 1882. <sup>North of West</sup> Latitude Longitude  
38° 05' 71° 08'

This morning came in clear cold and with light breeze. Saw a splendid mirage of the port and two square rigged vessels on the eastern horizon. Took all the gear out of the boats and hauled it up.

At seven thirty the welcome order was given (one watch worked) and at eleven the pots were cleaned, hauled up and the deck scrubbed. At eight spoke English steamship British Crown and got his longitude  $71^{\circ} 00'$  out, being  $71^{\circ} 34' 3$  making us  $60'$  out. At once this, raised a schooner from up aloft. (stood no masts heads to day) never saw her from deck.

Left port. Gards cracked in a little all sail set. Steering North, light breeze.

Sunday 28th May 28th N 40° 25' W 71° 44' at 9 o'clock

Came in fine with good fair wind, saw 6 or 7 sails hauled out. At 10: began to grow foggy. saw one man of war and at 11:30 passed a fog from probably Long Island. Thick fog, six & fathoms of water. At 5: wind hauled to N by E. At 6 raised a schooner, at 7 hauled a pilot boat on S. bow. Passed Sow and pigs lightship at eight. Passed and brought Gay Head and Cuttyhunk lights in range at 9:30 raised Dumpling light and at 10:15 brought Dumpling and Clark's point lights in range.

Saw a large steamer steering E by N. Struck on a rock at 11:30. Dumpling light on port beam. Lead going all the time, 5 fathoms last sounding and she struck before we got the lead down again. Got the dredge anchor off on starboard bow and hove taut. Fused all sail, but loosed them again and set all the after sail. sent one watch below.

New Bedford, Thomas A. G. Callett Master

At three thirty in the morning (Manay) she sprung off, and we worked friskly out the hauls, and got through all right with little damage to the rudder. Left along and anchored between New Bedford and Fair Haven at 5:30 A.M.

The tug Nelly hooked on to us at 6:30 and we all got ashore at 7:00.

So ends a voyage of forty five months and twenty three days from wharf to wharf, on which we got four thousand barrels of oil, and turned up on the wharf, 3850 barrels, amounting to \$100,337.85

One hundred thousand three hundred and thirty seven Dollars and eighty five Cents.

Remarks onboard Bark Freedom, of  
New York, on a voyage from New  
York, towards Cete, France,  
Sailed from N.Y. on the fourteenth  
day of September 1883.

George S. Lawrence, of Falmouth Mass. Master  
Willis G. Perry, of Bangor Maine. Mate  
Ellenwood B. Coleman, of Nantucket, Second Mate.

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Remarks on board Bark *Freedom* of -Tuesday September 11<sup>th</sup> In Port

Left the dock at Constable Hook at three P.M. lowered down to the fleet at Quarantine, and dropped the Starboard Anchor with thirty fathoms of chain, weather threatening, and brisk breeze from S.E. My first anchor

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FinWednesday Sept 12<sup>th</sup>

Engaged at odd jobs, rainy all day took in the feeders and lashed them. Scatter part, thick and strong wind. Midnight, dark with heavy rain, and strong wind.

Thursday Sept 13<sup>th</sup>

Weather not very pleasant, set up jib guys, got the boat over, and Capt. went ashore. Scatter part, fair weather, wind S.W. Ships, "Frank Pendleton" and arrived in.

Friday Sept 14<sup>th</sup> Sailed.

Came in fine, with the wind S.S.W. Capt. and Crew came aboard at eleven and we got underway. Pilot left us at 4:30 and we stood along S.S.W. Scatter part fine, wind W.S.W. Highland lights last seen at 9:10 bearing N.E.W. at 9:30 raised Fire Island light bearing N.E. by E wind hauled round at 11:30 braced round the yards.

Saturday Sept 15<sup>th</sup> Latitude. <sup>North</sup> <sup>West</sup> Longitude  
40° 06' 73° 21'  
Came in fine, light breeze from W.N.W. Steering C.S.E. all sail set. Saw several sails. Engaged all day at doubling the gear and stowed cables and anchors. Scatter part fine. Northern lights soon splendid.

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New York. George S. Lawrence Master.

Sunday September 16<sup>th</sup> 1883. <sup>North. West</sup> Latitude & longitude

39° 50' 71° 54'

Came in fine. Steering E.S.E. very light breeze. at eleven squared the yards. Black Fish. Scatter part. braced sharp on Starboard tack. light breeze. steering the same. Saw. a Sulphur bottom whale and a large school of Blackfish.

Monday Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>. N 39° 26' W 70° 40'

Came in fine. fair breeze from the Southward. Steering E.S.E. Today put a new mizzen stay sail and the mizzen topmast staysail and sent up chafing gear. Scatter part fine almost calm.

Tuesday Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> N 39° 15' W 69° 27'

Came in with fresh breeze at six handed the royals engaged on chafing gear. at eleven it began to rain and blow fresh. at 12:30 furled staysails. Steering E.S.E. Scatter part strong breeze. headed her off to S.C. by C. Saw several sails.

Wednesday Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> N. W.

Came in with strong breeze at eight in the morning furled the top gallant sails and at twelve the fly-jib and spanker. Scatter part strong breeze. Saw a sail at eight in the evening. Close hauled on Port tack heading about S.E.

Thursday Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> N. 36° 44' W. 66° 08'

Came in fair strong breeze set up the jib & fly-jib stays. and raked them solid to one more ship. set fly-jib and mizzen topmast stay sail. Scatter part strong breeze, heading N.E. by E. rainy nasty weather.

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Remarks on board Bark *Freedom* of  
Friday September 21<sup>st</sup> <sup>North</sup> <sup>Latitude and Longitude</sup>  
37° 27' 65° 44'

Came in with strong breeze, furled  
the mainsail at 3: this morning raining  
Wore ship at eleven, and hauled  
close to the wind heading S.E.  
at 12:30 set the mainsail and at  
three P.M. the gib. Scatter part, fine with  
strong breeze. Saw lots of dolphins  
and Gulf Weed.

Saturday Sept. 22<sup>d</sup> N. 36° 56' W. 63° 33'  
Came in fine I set shankies at twelve.  
At 3:30 A.M. wind moderated, set fly jib  
and mizzen foremast staysail  
at four set J.S. Sails heading E.S.E.  
moderate breeze. Engaged at odd jobs,  
rove new J.S. Colcluives and stroped  
two blocks for a watch tackle.

Sunday Sept 23<sup>d</sup> N. 36° 06' W. 62° 16'  
Came in fine with good breeze, ship  
heading E.S.E. all sail but royals  
set. Saw Gulf weed. Scatter part. Sat twelve  
midnight wore ship and headed about  
N.E.

Monday Sept 24<sup>th</sup> N. 36° 08' W. 60° 23'  
Came in fine, ship close, hauled on  
Starboard tack all sail but royals set.  
Steering about N.E. by E. This forenoon  
set up gib & fly jib stays and port fore  
topmast back stays, sent down the  
upper main topsail and beat the new  
one. Scatter part headed up to E by S.  
nice breeze.

Tuesday Sept 25<sup>th</sup> N. 36° 20' W. 58° 27'  
Came in with strong breeze. Ship heading  
E.S.E. at 8:30 braced in the yards a little.  
Scatter part. Wind abeam set main  
royal and Miz J.S. staysail.

New York, George S. Lawrence Master.  
Wednesday September 26<sup>th</sup> <sup>North</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitude longitude  
36° 04' 54° 32'

Came in rainy and strong breeze.  
steering E.S.E. Scatter part wind hauled  
two points abeam, steering  
E.S.E.

Thursday Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> N. 35° 49' W. 50° 25'  
Came in fine, steering E. by S. wind on  
Starboard quarter set the fore royal at five this  
morning engaged this day at cleaning and  
repairing blocks. Scatter part wind light  
and baffling with several showers.

Friday September 28<sup>th</sup> N. 35° 56' W. 49° 55'  
Came in fine with light breeze from  
W by N. Squared the yards, steering E. by S.  
at 9:30 in the morning wind hauled  
S. by W. braced up, fine weather all day  
at 4:30 P.M. wind die away calm and  
came up in a squall from W.N.W.  
handed all the light sails. At 9: wore  
ship and headed up to E.

Saturday Sept 29<sup>th</sup> N. 35° 31' W. 49° 12'  
Came in fine, with light breeze, ship close  
hauled on Port tack, heading S.S.E. all sail  
but royals set. Rove new upper main top sail  
braces. Scatter part, heading S.E. by E.

Sunday Sept 30<sup>th</sup> N. 34° 35' W. 48° 25'  
Came in with strong breeze ship on Port tack  
close hauled at 9: A.M. furled S.S.E. sail.  
frequent rain squalls. at 6 P.M. wore ship  
and headed E. by N. at 11:30 wild and threatening  
and rainy.

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Remarks onboard Bark *Freedom* ofMonday October 1<sup>st</sup> 1883 <sup>North</sup> Latitude & Longitude

34° 45' 47° 06'

Came in with increasing wind at 3:30  
 called all hands to shorten sail, snugged  
 her down to lower topsails and storm stay  
 sails, at about 4:15 the weather clew of  
 the main sail got adrift and gave one  
 slab which ended that part of it, got some  
 earring round it and saved the rest of it.  
 hove too on S. tack, releasing tackles on the  
 tiller, before noon it moderated and we  
 had all sail but royals on her steering  
 East. Scatter part, fair, steering E by S.  
 Repaired mainsail some.

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a figTuesday Oct. 2<sup>d</sup> N. 35° 00' W 45° 44' <sup>Sail</sup>

Came in fine fair wind, steering  
 sailmaking E by S. light breeze all day  
 All hands worked on mainsail, Scatter part.  
 Slight breeze on Port quarter.

Wednesday Oct 3<sup>d</sup> N. 35° 00' W 44° 17'

Came in fine steering East wind aft  
 All hands sailmaking, Scatter part  
 Sail making. Steering E. wind W. nice breeze, fine weather

Thursday Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> N. 35° 42' W. 42° 47'

Came in squally, steering E by S  $\frac{1}{2}$  S.  
 carried all sail wind S. W.  
 Finished mainsail and bent it.  
 Scatter part, Wind S. Steering E by S  $\frac{1}{2}$  S.  
 at 10:30 handed light sails.

Friday October 5<sup>th</sup> N. 35° 59' W. 40° 27' <sup>Ay</sup>

Came in with strong wind from S. and  
 squally, handed T. G. sails and fly jib in  
 the middle watch. Steering E by S  $\frac{1}{2}$  S.  
 Scatter part, strong breeze course S. E by E  $\frac{1}{2}$  S.  
 heading about E. S. E. going about five knots.

New York, George S. Lawrence Master  
Saturday October 6<sup>th</sup> 1883. Latitude & Longitude  
North. West.  
36° 37' 38° 09'

Came in with strong breeze, set fore top  
Saw gallant sail at daylight. Made new  
fights, F. G. foot ropes. Slight passed on starboard  
at 4:00. Strong breeze ship heading F. by S.

Sunday October 7<sup>th</sup> N. 37° 23' W. 35° 50'  
Came in fair. Ship headed S.E. by E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  E. from  
12:30 to 4:30 N. at 5: wind hauled to S. S.E.  
Latter part, fine, ship heading E. by S. good breeze.

Monday October 8<sup>th</sup> N. 38° 07' W. 34° 14'  
Came in fine ship close hauled on S. tack  
Sail heading F. by S. sent down upper foretop  
sail for repairs, bent another. Slight part  
light breeze at 9:30 wore ship, a bark steering  
to the southward passed by our stern, at  
10:30 wore back again and headed about E.N.E.  
very light breeze.

Tuesday October 9<sup>th</sup> N. 38° 39' W. 33° 23'  
Sail. Coming in calm. Sail still in sight on  
Starboard Quarter. Latter part, Calm.  
Engaged cleaning sheaves, and odd jobs.

Wednesday October 10<sup>th</sup> N. 38° 41' W. 32° 24'  
Came in fine. Wind drew aft, she headed  
her course from 10: last night S.E. by E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  E.  
Set up main top mast rigging and reb.  
the lower main top sail.  
Latter part, braced the yards a little.  
Course S.E. by E.  $\frac{3}{4}$  E. handed Royals at 10:30

Azores Islands. Thursday October 11<sup>th</sup> N. 38° 41' W. 32° 44'  
Sail. Came in fine, strong breeze, raised land at  
7:15 two points on starboard bow, ship  
heading S.E. by E.  $\frac{3}{4}$  E. Passed Fyral and Pico at  
12: latter part, course S.E. by E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  E. yards braced  
sharp on S. tack just passed Graciosa, at 5:  
could see the houses ashore.

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Remarks onboard Bark *Freedom*, ofFriday October 12<sup>th</sup> 1883. N  
Latitude  $38^{\circ} 51'$  North, Longitude  $25^{\circ} 47'$  West

Came in fine, raised the island of  
at 12:45 and passed it about 6 miles to  
windward of us. Course  $S.E. by E. \frac{1}{2} E.$   
Rode new fore royal, halliards, fine weather.  
Latter part, good breeze from S.W. Course  $S.E. \frac{3}{4} E.$

Saturday October 13<sup>th</sup> N.  $38^{\circ} 04'$  W.  $22^{\circ} 02'$ 

Came in fine with strong S.W. wind.  
Course  $S.E. \frac{3}{4} E.$  all sail set. Scatter part  
Heavy rain squall at 5:30. lasted an hour.  
rest fine.

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Sunday October 14<sup>th</sup> N.  $37^{\circ} 33'$  W.  $18^{\circ} 59'$ 

Came in fine, at 1:25<sup>m</sup> the wind hauled  
to N.W. braced round wind light at 3:45 came  
on a strong breeze, about 11:30 wind hauled  
to N.E. braced sharp on Port tack course  
 $S.E. by E.$  Scatter part light breeze.

Monday October 15<sup>th</sup> N.  $37^{\circ} 03'$  W.  $17^{\circ} 33'$ 

Came in fine with light breeze from N.E.  
Course  $S.E. by E.$  Engaged clearing the boat and  
scrapping top of forward house, fine weather  
wind light, Scatter part fine moonlight  
evening, Course  $E. by S. \frac{3}{4} S.$  wind N.N.E.  
Thus ends a fine day.

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Tuesday October 16<sup>th</sup> N.  $37^{\circ} 01'$  W.  $15^{\circ} 54'$ 

Sails. Came in fine wind light from N.E.  
Course  $E. by S. \frac{3}{4} S.$  Two barks and one brig  
passed from 12<sup>h</sup> to 4<sup>h</sup> heading to the N.W.  
tared the top of forward house, and rove  
two new buntlines to the mainsail.  
Scatter part fine clear weather not a cloud to  
be seen, heavy swell and almost calm, course  
 $E. S.E.$

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Wednesday October 17<sup>th</sup> N.  $36^{\circ} 56'$  W.  $14^{\circ} 35'$ 

Sails. Came in fine with very light breeze,  
Course E. S.E. several sails in sight,  
Employed scraping spars.  
Scatter part braced sharp on port tack  
wind light, making about a S.E. course.

New York. George S. Lawrence Master

Thursday October 18th 1883. <sup>North.</sup> Latitude  $36^{\circ} 30'$  <sup>West</sup> Longitude  $12^{\circ} 59'$

Sails Came in fair, with strong breeze, ship close hauled on Port tack heading  $5^{\circ}$  by E. Engaged scraping spars. Saw several sails, hauled royals at three P.M. Scatter part, fine, ship going E.S.E.

Friday October 19th N.  $36^{\circ} 59' W.$   $10^{\circ} 34'$

Came in fine, set royals at 2:00, heading E. S.E. Saw a large steamship on the Port quarter, at Steamer eight, heading about S. by W. Also a brig on Starboard quarter heading same as ourselves. Scatter part, fine all sail set, heading S.E.

Saturday October 20th N.  $35^{\circ} 27' W.$   $9^{\circ} 13'$

Came in fine, ship heading E. by S. light breeze from N.E. Still scraping spars. Exchanged collars with a bark and a brig, probably from Gibraltar, the Bark's name was "Froy" and the brig's "Snakde". Scatter Part, strong breeze, hauled royals. Wind went down at eight. Set royals again at  $11^{\circ} 30'$

Sunday October 21st N.  $35^{\circ} 44' W.$   $7^{\circ} 13'$  <sup>D.R.</sup>

Came in fine with light breeze ship making her course, E. Eight sails in sight at daylight. Land, Scatter Part, Raised Cape Spartell. Sighted at 10: it bore on Starboard beam ab. 1:17 A.M.

Monday October 22d N. W.

Came in fine, ship on Port tack steering E. Cape Spartell light bore abeam at 1:17, went out of sight at 2:53. Raised Tariffa, light, at 1:53 bearing E.N.E. at six eye were abreast the famous Rock of Gibraltar. Went down the F. of G. sail and beat another one. Wind west all day, steering E. Scatter Part, wind light, steering E. at 10:30, raised a flash white light, bearing N.N.E. at 11:30, wind hauled to S. braced round the yards.

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Remarks onboard Bark Freedom, of A.  
 Tuesday October 23<sup>rd</sup> 1883. Latitude & Longitude  
North West  
37° 19' 3° 11'

Came in fine, braced the yards sharp, and the wind kept her N. E. at 5:10 she kept off to N. N. E. wore ship and headed S. E. by E. light breeze, saw six steamers, and a number of sails.  
 Scatter part. Almost calm, fine clear weather.

Wednesday October 24<sup>th</sup> N. W.

Came in fine, and kept so all day, wind very light, hove to the N. and E. of us, scattered part, same.

Thursday October 25<sup>th</sup> N. 36° 46' W. 2° 03' Sunset alt.

Came in fine, with strong breeze at 7:00 at 7:15 called all hands, and hauled ship. Employed cleaning paint work. Scatter part, fine weather, land all along on the N. E. of us. Mesa point in sight.

Friday October 26<sup>th</sup> N. 36° 22' W. 1° 00'

Came in fine, ship on Port tack, at 7:00, wore ship, nearly calm, head N. Sighted on Mesa point west out of sight at 1:30, bearing N. finished cleaning paint. Scatter part, Mesa point light in sight bearing N. true, distant 22 miles.

Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup> N. 36° 57' W. 1° 15'

Came in, with light breeze, ship heading E. at daylight, calm, several sails in sight. Ship made so many courses that kept no run of her. A large

Sunday October 28<sup>th</sup> N. 37° 11' W. 57'

Came in threatening of rain, wore ship twice mid. watch, at 1: a large steamer crossed our bows, heading N. W. At 7:30 had a heavy squall, and strong wind till M.

New York, George Lawrence, Master.

Monday October 29th 1883. <sup>North</sup> Latitude <sup>West</sup> Longitude  
 $37^{\circ} 38'$   $15'$

Came in fine set royals at daylight by the wind heading N. going two knots.  
 Scatter part, good breeze, going 4 knots, S.E. by E.  
 Cape Palos light went out of sight at daylight  
 bearing W.N.W. Cape Sta. Polo bore N. true at 7:15  
 distant 10 miles

Tuesday October 30th N.  $38^{\circ} 04'$  E.  $00' 3'$

Came in fine tacked ship at seven o'clock  
 headed N.N.E. on starboard going  $3\frac{1}{2}$  knots.  
 scaphed paint and did other jobs.  
 Scatter part, all sail set, tacked at 5:30. head  
 E. by S. Cape Alter light bearing N. by W.  
 Raised St. Antoine light bearing

Wednesday October 31st N.  $38^{\circ} 47'$  E.  $29'$

Brake in fair, ship was not back heading N. by E.  
 Cape Mayo, bearing N.N.E. at 6:35 tacked ship  
 and head N.E.  $4^{\circ}$  N. on starboard heading set main  
 Antoine royal and staysails at seven, fine weather all  
 day. Cape St. Antoine bore  $W\frac{1}{2}N.$  at 3:30 P.M.

Scatter part, Calm. we are well inshore, can see  
 the light in the town of Dinea, and the town of  
 Faras, is on the lee quarter, it is a picturesque  
 place, among the mountains. Middle watch squally  
 wore round twice wind all ways.

At steamers from down by our quarter and I used the  
 Thursday October 1st no more this year  
 flare up for the first time.

1883

Remarks onboard Bark Freedom of  
Thursday October 18<sup>th</sup> 1883. Latitude <sup>North</sup> 39° 15'  
Longitude <sup>East</sup> 15°

Came in squally, with heavy rain,  
ship heading her course wind abeam  
at 1:30 it hauled to the N. Wore ship  
the rest of the watch it was all ways till  
daylight then came in clear and bright.  
Set all sail, course N. by E. employed  
repairing the steering gear this forenoon  
and boat fall and davit-blocks.  
Latter part, hauled all sail but topsails  
and foresail, squally and nasty.

Friday November 2<sup>d</sup> N. 39° 50' E. 5

Came in rainy and squally, and  
made out to keep about so all day set all  
sail in the afternoon latter part squally, hauled  
in all sail set on Port tack heading E.S.E.

Saturday November 3<sup>d</sup> N. 40° 07' E. 24

Came in fair all sail set on Port tack  
at three flushed light sails. at 3:30 wind  
hauled to the S. kept her N. by E. but by  
4:30 it hauled forward, braced sharp kept  
her N. by W. latter part, going E.S.E. five  
knots, at five took in D. G. sails and fly  
jib rainy and disagreeable all night

Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup> N. 39° 26' E. 15

Came in rainy with a light wind,  
at eleven wore round, at daylight saw  
three sails, set D. G. sails and fly  
strong breeze, latter part, fair weather, strong breeze  
ship heading N.W.

New York, George S. Lawrence Master.

Monday November 5<sup>th</sup> 1883 Latitude & longitude,  
North East  
40° 24' 1° 46'

Came in calm, at 4 a breeze sprung up from the W. and increased steadily to a 4 knot breeze. Course. N. by E. Ranged the cables and got the anchors off the bows. Scatter part, Wind. W. course N.E. by E.

Tuesday Nov 6<sup>th</sup> N. 40° 56' E. 2° 15'

Came in calm, at 11 A.M. a breeze sprung up from SW. stered N.E. till 12:20 then N.E. by E. till 3:30 P.M. then E.N.E. 2 E. Scatter part, going 5 knots wind S.W. course " " Passed Barcelona.

Wednesday November 7<sup>th</sup> N. 42° 18' E. 4° 12'

Came in fine, out of sight of land, saw several sailers placed shaft on Port tack and hauled up to N. by W. and made a course good of N. 2 E. till 5:15 P.M. tacked ship and head about W. by N. Scatter part.

Thursday November 8<sup>th</sup> N. 42° 17' E. N. Star

Came in fair, at daylight wind increased to a strong breeze from N.N.E. at eight hauled right everything but topsails, and foresail and at 10 A.M. furled foresail, heading W.

Scatter part wore ship and are now heading N.E. four lights in sight on shore strong wind.

Friday November 9<sup>th</sup> N. 42° 27' E.

Came in fair with good breeze, at noon had all sail on her and headed up to N. by E. at four P.M. raised two lighthouses supposed to be on Cetle breakwater, at 6:30 struck in three fathoms, of water, at 11:30 began to throw cargo overboard at. Saturday at 7: A.M. Capt. went on shore the wind is increasing right off shore all sail set. After breakfast let the crew turn in and sleep till dinner time, at 3:00 P.M. got out a kedge anchor off starboard bow in 3 1/2 fathoms Scatter part, she is working into the breakers, more every pound.

1883

Remarks onboard Bark Freedom of  
Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup> 1883.

Came in fine, at 7 A.M. Captain came back with the Consul and tug boat and a fleet of lighters, went to work breaking out oil, got an anchor out. Worked till dark. I received 4 letters from Lydia and two from May. At 6:30 A.M. rigged the double pumps, but the water gained on us

~~Monday November 12<sup>th</sup>~~

eight inches per hour, so at 7: gave up pumping and began to strip her, unbent all the sails and stowed them away.

Monday Twelfth day of November.

Came in fine worked all day discharging oil, 18 feet of water in her.

Tuesday November 13<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine, commenced discharging oil at 7 A.M. at 10: the French Marine Commissioner and an officer came off, and stayed till night. we discharged 776 barrels of oil. Rather part wind about N. threatening and overcast.

Wednesday November 14<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine Capt. Lawrence came to the ship at 3:30 A.M. and went back to Cete at 8:30 A.M. at three tried the pumps for one hour but made no decrease in the water so gave up pumping and, unrope gear and stowed it away.

Thursday November 15<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather, sea smooth, wind N.W. filled one lighter with oil and then started pumps, pumped till twelve M. then gave up pumping and sent down Top Gallant yards and royal yards and hauled T.S. Masts. latter part fine, bright moonlight.

New York. George S. Lawrence & Caster.  
Friday November 16<sup>th</sup> 1883.

Came in fine, started pumps at 8:30 A.M. and pumped two hours, had ten shore men a little while at 10:30 had gained on the water one and one half inch and then it decreased none so gave up pumping. Scatter Part. Dark and threatening looking boats all left and went ashore, Capt still on shore

Saturday November 17<sup>th</sup>.

Came in threatening of a storm with the wind N. by E. in the forenoon a boat crew came off from shore and took a sail from shore and rope to build a tent. We took the largest boat off the house and began to repair it. Ship grinding and straining fearfully, off two Q.M. took boat and a load of chests and bags and landed them, came back and took the second load ashore, surf very rough. Scatter part. ship straining fearfully, wind back from North. and heavy swell. Capt. still ashore. We are now all ready to leave any minute.

Sunday November 18<sup>th</sup>

Came in fair, ship straining and rolling fearfully the round decks half full of water, at three A.M. lighters began to come off, the oil barrels came up between decks, we thought the lower deck had started up, this morning at 6: Capt. arrived with a large tug and a steam pump which we took on board and got it to working by about two Q.M. but it dont work well.

I went down on the trayson after dinner and looked the whole length between decks and such a desolate scene I never saw before, the sea broke inside of her as she rolled, Scatter part, the pump dont shrink the water any, as they have to keep stoping to fill the boiler

1883

Remarks onboard Bark *Freedom* of New  
Monday November 19<sup>th</sup> 1883.

Off York

Came in calm and a smooth sea.  
The pumps bothered all night and we only  
got about four hours pumping out of all  
night at eight A.M. started our pumps too  
and both made no impression on the  
water, ship is settling down in the sand,  
at 10 A.M. tug went back to Celle with the  
Agent and Captain, and in the afternoon  
we went ashore and saw that our things  
were all right. Letter part strong N.W.  
breeze blowing.

Tuesday November 20<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine but with strong N.W. wind  
and heavy sea, at 8 A.M. Capt. Lawrence  
came back in the tug and loaded her up  
with ship's stores, sails rigging &c. and  
went back to Celle with them.

Letter part fine weather. Received a letter  
from Lydia and one from Mr. Brayton, at  
Marselles. Water still in the hold.

Wednesday November 21<sup>st</sup>

Came in fine with a good breeze from  
N.W. Sent lower fore and main top gallant  
masts and mizzen top mast, and stowed  
away the backstays and rigging.  
Letter part, fine weather, water swashing  
sound in the hold dismal.

Thursday November 22<sup>d</sup>

Came in fine. Several lighters came alongside,  
afternoon calm, went ashore and looked at our things.  
Letter part, calm and fine.

Friday November 23<sup>d</sup>

Came in with southerly wind and heavy swell ship  
bounding heavily; at 10 A.M. Capt. came with the tug  
and we started the pumps and the surveyors thought  
we gained, so they decided to get another pump in her.  
Letter, tug went back at four, ship has listed to port  
and works fearfully, the masts have began to jump  
and she cracks some

York, George S. Lawrence Master.

Saturday November 24<sup>th</sup>

Came in with smooth sea and light N.W. wind, at 8:30 A.M. the lug with Capt. Lawrence and Capt. Gail, arrived, we started the pumps and in 45 minutes shrunk the water  $10\frac{1}{2}$  inches, steamer returned to Octe, at 11:30 to make arrangements for obtaining another pump. After dinner we landed, a boalload of wood, a barrel of water, some beef, and bread, at our tent, Scatter Port, fine weather.

Sunday November 25<sup>th</sup>

Came in with cloudy sky and moderate N.E. and small southerly swell, about 10 A.M. wind veered to S. by E. increasing to a fresh <sup>brisk</sup> gale, at noon there being every indication of a gale the crew wanted to go ashore, the boat left the ship at one P.M. the surf was so high that I could not land on the beach opposite the ship so I pulled round Espignette point and found a cove about six miles from our tent, landed safely and walked to our tent, the mate and steward concluded they had rather stay aboard, as they were more comfortable on the ship and none of us thought there was any real danger so I has sent ashore in charge of the boat. We stopped at Espignette light house, on the way to our tent and were treated kindly by the keeper; at four P.M. the bark righted ship and hauled off shore, We got to our tent at five, and started a fire, got supper made ourselves comfortable for the night, at dark the ship seemed all right, although the seas were going over her some, at eleven P.M. I went down to the beach and she looked all right then.

1883

Remarks onboard Bark *Freedom* of  
Monday November 26<sup>th</sup> 1883

At two forty-five A.M. the watch man woke us with the cry the ship is afire. I immediately called two men one of which could talk french to go with me to the light house, distant about five miles, and telegraph to Grav D e Sea. Poi for a lighter to go to the rescue of the Mate and Stevward, when within about one eighth of a mile of the light met the keepers coming along shore the told us they had telegraphed but no lighter would go out in the sea that was running, so we thought they must have perished as the ship gave a sheet of flame, and it didn't seem possible for the small boat which they had to live. We returned to our tent and at seven A.M. started for Grav D e Sea Poi, arriving there at 10:30 and finding the Mate and Stevward had landed at daylight, and being capsized in the surf and much bruised were rescued and cared for by the people of the village. I called on the mate, and received the following statement from him.

Statement, From the time the boat left the ship the wind and sea rapidly increased, and the bark began to bound and wrench violently. She righted at four P.M. and fell over on starboard bilge remaining in that position until the end. At dark the sea began to break on the vessel staving in the cabin windows and skylights and partially filling the cabin, from this time until eight P.M. the seas constantly boarded the vessel washing away everything not strongly secured, from eight till 9:30 P.M. sea and wind moderated and bark was more quiet

New York. George V. Lawrence. Master.

At ten P.M. the wind now blowing due South (directly astern) increased to a strong gale and sea rolled over her heavier than before; at 10:30 P.M. while in the after cabin, after a violent shock, in which the stern settled and a volume of petroleum rushed into the cabin filling the lowest side nearly to the windows, at the same time overturning the light which rolled down and ignited the oil. This light was the only one aboard as I had extinguished the cabin and gallery fires at four P.M.; in a moment the cabin was full of flame and we ran out by the forward door closing it behind us, I immediately launched the small boat off the forward getting her over safely, seeing no indications of fire now, and wishing to obtain the log book, went into the cabin and secured it, finding the fire out and the oil water about three deep on the highest side of the cabin; at 11:30 got into our boat to leeward of the ship, as the houses were breaking up, and we couldn't stay on deck, intending to hold on till morning if the bark held together, the starboard bulwarks were all washed away, the steam engine fell over, tearing away the capstan and rolling down to the starboard side.

We had been in the boat about three hours when suddenly there was a violent explosion and in a moment the bark was enveloped in a sheet of flame; we immediately cleared our boat from the vessel and pulled in the direction of Epiguette, light at daylight finding we were drifting out to sea headed the boat for the beach to the N.E. of Grav De La Pointe the boat was capsized in the surf and we were rescued and cared for by the inhabitants of the village.

Remarks after leaving the Freedom,  
Tuesday November 27th 1883

Came in fine, spent the day looking round Cette, and made arrangements for getting our baggage.

Wednesday November 28th  
Capt. Lawrence and I left ~~for~~ Cette for Sigues Harbor at 3 A.M. arriving there at 8 A.M. took lighter there at 12 M. and went to the scene of the wreck, at about two we got to the wreck and she looked dismal enough, took our things aboard and started for Cette at three with strong E. by S. wind arriving at 7:15 P.M.

Thursday November 29th  
Came in fine, Settled our "accounts" in the forenoon, afternoon visited the bark Epible, Capt. Pierce, Left Cette at 8 A.M. for Marseille in the Steamship Soraine.

Thus ends a voyage of seventy two days in the bark Freedom of New York. Capt. Lawrence.

This log was written by  
Claywood B. Coleman, second officer  
of the ill fated bark.

Diary 1883.  
Marseilles November 30<sup>th</sup> 1883.

Arrived here at seven A.M. and put up at the English Hotel. The Mate, Steward and I took tickets for New York and the crew are in the Consul's hands.

Saturday December 1<sup>st</sup>  
Left here at 11:25 A.M. and traveled all night.

Sunday December 2<sup>d</sup>  
Arrived at Paris at 3:30 P.M. and went sight seeing till eleven, took our supper at the. left Paris at 11:25 P.M.

Monday December 3<sup>d</sup>  
Arrived at Havre at 6 A.M. and put up at the Hotel Saint Tropez. weather rainy and nasty all day. Left Havre for Southampton, at 9 P.M. in the steamer Wolfe.

Tuesday December 4<sup>th</sup>  
Arrived at Southampton at 11:25 A.M. after a very stormy night in the Channel and took the 12:15 train for London, arriving there at 3:00 P.M. and left for Liverpool at 3:20, arriving at 9:30 P.M. and put up at Cornish Hotel No. 30 Hunter St.

Wednesday December 5<sup>th</sup>  
Came in fair, went sight seeing.

Thursday December 6<sup>th</sup>  
Came in fine. Embarked on the White Star Steam Ship, "Germanic" at 10 A.M. and sailed at 1:50 P.M.

1883

## Remarks on the White Star S.S. Germanic

December 7th

North Latitude &amp; West Longitude

Left Queenstown at 4:30 P.M. with  
fine clear weather.Saturday December 8th 51° 21' 15° 32'  
Made a distance of 282. since leaving  
Queenstown.Sunday December 9th 50° 56' 24° 31'  
Distance made 339 miles.  
Fair weather. Head sea and wind ship  
rolling some and shipping considerable water.Monday December 10th 50° 03' 31° 49'  
Distance 284 miles.  
Strong wind and rough head sea, reduced  
speed to 10 knots, at 10 A.M. ship quite steady  
but shipping large quantities of water  
passengers most all sick and everything  
dismal according.Tuesday December 11th 48° 55' 37° 39'  
Distance 238 miles, wind strong and  
steady, set all the try sails.Wednesday December 12th 47° 04' 44° 26'  
Distance 294 miles. Fresh gale and cross sea  
Split Main try sail, stopped the engine  
about 15 minutes to repair a bursted pipe.  
passed one steamer going East.Thursday December 13th 44° 52' 51° 19'  
Distance 316 miles. Came in fine sea  
going down, till, latter part, was very  
fine.Friday December 14th 42° 55' 59° 37'  
Distance 378 miles. Came in fine with  
light breeze, at noon wind and sea began to  
rise, saw a large 4 masted steamer going  
to the eastward

in the passage from Liverpool to New York.  
Saturday December 15<sup>th</sup> 1863. <sup>North</sup> <sup>West</sup>  
Latitude & Longitude  
41° 10' 67° 11'

Distance 353 miles.

Came in fine, saw two sails to starboard  
of us, at noon the sea began to rise, increasing  
to a heavy head sea. distance from Sandy  
Hook, 340 miles. total distance 2796 miles

Sunday December 16<sup>th</sup>

Came in clear cold and fine, several  
sails in sight. Took Pilot no. 17. at  
8:30 A.M. and arrived at dock at about 10 A.M.  
I went over to Brooklyn. found all the folks  
well and smart.

Thus ends my first merchant voyage.

1884

## Remarks onboard Ship "St. David" of

A few remarks onboard Ship St. David on a  
voyage from New York toward San Francisco,  
written by Ellerwood P. Coleman, third officer.

W.W. Frost Master  
W. Plumb Mate  
C. S. Baxter 2<sup>nd</sup> Mate  
C. B. Coleman 3<sup>rd</sup> Mate

New York. W. W. Frost Master

Tuesday August 5<sup>th</sup> 1884 New York.

Came in threatening and rained most all day  
left our dock at about six A.M. and anchored  
in the bay.

Wednesday Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine, turned too at daylight, bent all  
the sails we wanted bent and got all ready for sea.

Thursday Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>

Came in thick and calm got underway at  
4 A.M. and towed out to sea got a smart  
breeze at 10 A.M. Rained all day.  
Scatter part moderating

Friday Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>

Came in fair with light breeze, set all sail  
Scatter part calm.

Saturday Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>

Came in fair with good breeze, which increased,  
at 8 A.M. hauled light sail and reefed mainsail,  
Scatter part set all sail again.

Wednesday Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine ship on S. tack.  
Engaged, stowing away new sails and setting  
up backstays. Scatter part fine

Sunday Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> N. 34° 26' W. 53° 10'

Came in fine, two sail in sight, one  
proved to be the whaling schooner "Alcyone"  
two months out with 80 bbls. a boat from her  
came aboard at night. Scatter. Calm.

Monday Aug. 18<sup>th</sup> N. 34° 01' W. 52° 15'

Fine weather this day. Engaged scraping  
chain plates. began allowance of water.

Thursday Aug. 21<sup>st</sup> N. 32° 24' W. 49° 53'

Fine all day with good breeze,  
Signaled the steamer "Elba" bound for Philadelphia.

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## Remarks onboard Ship "St David" of

Friday August 22<sup>d</sup> 1884. Latitude & Longitude

N. 30° 36' W. 47° 46'

Fine weather all day

Sunday Aug 24<sup>th</sup> N. 28° 28' W. 47° 16'Fiji, this fifty four hours. all sail set.  
Course S. by E. true.Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>Fine weather all day  
Hauled up and blacked the Starboard  
Cable, and stowed it again,Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather. Blacked Port Cable.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup>

N. 21° 22' W. 43° 32'

Came in fine. Scatter part, Strong breeze  
handed light sails.Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>Came in fine, good breeze, Course S. E.  
Commenced to Holystone ship outside.Sunday 31<sup>st</sup>

N. 18° 17' W. 41° 59'

Came in with good breeze, at 4 P.M. wind  
increasing, reefed main sail and handed  
light sails. At 12 Midnight, wore ship  
strong wind.

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New York, W. W. Frost, Master.

Monday September 1<sup>st</sup> 1884 Latitude & Longitude  
Came in blowing hard, ship on S. tack heading S. 62° E.  
set top gallant sails. Scatter part, fine weather.

Tuesday 2<sup>d</sup>

Came in with strong wind. at five P.M. split  
main royal, bent another and furled light sails.  
and reefed mainsail.

Wednesday 3<sup>d</sup>

Came in blowing hard. at 1 A.M. hauled up topsail  
at two called all hands to wear ship. at six A.M.  
split lower fore topsail. called all hands bent new one.  
furled upper topsails and courses. Scatter part  
moderating.

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather all day, worked on the outside  
All sail set.

Friday 5<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather six knot breeze, all sail set. N. 14° 57' W. 38° 15'

Sail.

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>

N. 13° 52' W. 36° 29'

Fine with light breeze, saw one sail.  
Engaged setting up rigging and working outside  
all the week. Fine weather and light winds.

Sail.  
S.W.Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>

N. 9° 35' W. 29° 46'

Came in squally. Scatter part fine. saw one  
big steering to the westward.

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>

N. 5° 52' W. 26° 30'

Came in fine with light wind at 3 P.M. we passed  
a large school of Sperm Whales. apparently at  
home. Scatter part squally.

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>

N. 3° 03' W. 24° 11'

Came in with strong breeze. Five sail in sight.  
Sails. Scatter part fine. signalized the bark Tremont.

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## Remarks onboard Ship St. David of

Monday September 22<sup>nd</sup> 1884 <sup>North.</sup> Latitude <sup>West.</sup> Longitude  
2° 05' 25° 41'Fine weather all day, engaged shifting  
topsails sheets, and for cold, and painting  
outside. Scatter part. Fine. four sails in sight.Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> N. 1° 03' W. 26° 32'Came in fine, finished scraping outside  
and began to scrape bulwarks inside.  
Signallized a German Bark 53 days from N.Y.Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> S. 00° 05' W. 27° 44' <sup>South</sup>

Fine all day, crossed the Seine this forenoon.

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> S. 8° 34' W. 30° 27'Fine clear weather all day, saw one sail. steering  
N.E.Monday 29<sup>th</sup>Fine weather with light breeze.  
Put our heavy weather sails.  
Saw one ship; steering N.Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> S. 12° 21' W. 31° 31'Fine clear weather all day, hove new  
top gallant gear.

New York. W. W. Frost Master.

Wednesday October 1<sup>st</sup> 1884 <sup>South. West.</sup> Latitude & Longitude

Came in fine. light breeze. at work setting up head gear. one sail in sight.

Saturday Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> S. 17° 24' W. 31° 41'

Came in fine. Made new wire fib. topsail sheet pendants. Scatter part. fine. total eclipse of the moon at 7:30. P.M. lasted till 8:30:

Sunday Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> S. 19° 21' W. 31° 54'

Came in with good breeze and rain. Saw one bark on port tack. Scatter part. strong wind. and rainy. handed light sails.

Monday Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine, made all sail at daysight. Scatter part, handed skysails.

Tuesday Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>

Came in cloudy. handed royals at 1 A.M. Scatter part. strong breeze, shortened her down to topsails and courses. heavy head sea.

Wednesday Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>

Squally all day with heavy head sea.

Thursday Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> S. 26° 27' W. 32° 30'

Came in fine with fine breeze, made all sail. Course. W.S.W. Scatter part fine.

Sunday Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>

Came in cloudy with fine breeze on Port quarter. all sail set going S.K. Course, S.W. by W.

Monday Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine, yards square, rove new fore and main braces. Scatter part fine.

Tuesday Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>

Came in fine with good breeze, middle part. squally. at 4 P.M. wind hauled ahead, braced sharp on S.tack and reefed & furled topsails and mainsail, at 6: set topsails.

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Remarks onboard Ship St. David. of  
Wednesday October 15<sup>th</sup> 1884. <sup>South</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitude & Longitude

Came in with strong breeze at 8 A.M. reefed  
topsails, at 12 M. wore ship. Scatter part.  
Fine weather, heavy sea, ship on Port tack,  
course S.W. by W.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> S. 36° 32' W. 47° 50'  
Came in fine, made all sail at daylight.  
Scatter part, fine.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> S. 39° 07' W. 51° 32'  
Came in with clear weather and strong breeze  
we sent down the Skysail yards.  
Wind Aft, at 4 A.M. furled fore Topsail. at 10:50  
furled M.T. sail and reefed foresail.  
Raining and blowing hard.

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>  
Rainy and foggy all day, shook out reefs  
and at 6 P.M. set S.S. sails. fair wind.

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> S. 43° 47' W. 55° 38'  
Came in fine, with wind abeam, made all  
sail. at 11 A.M. wind hauled forward, and came  
in foggy. at 6 P.M. reefed mainsail, wind  
light with strong puffs.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup>  
Fine with light W.S.W. wind. at noon  
tacked ship. Wind hauled round to N.N.W.  
Course S.W. by W. Scatter part fair.

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>  
Fine weather, good breeze, ship making 9. K.  
Raised a large ship on port quarter gaining  
on us.

Wednesday 22<sup>d</sup>  
Fine weather all day. the ship which  
was on the quarter is now on the bow  
Scatter part fine; two sails in sight.

New York. W.W. Frost Master.

Thursday October 23<sup>d</sup> 1884. <sup>South</sup> Latitude & <sup>West</sup> Longitude

Came in thick and cold with good breeze.  
One ship in sight. Scatter Part. Fine.

Friday October 24<sup>th</sup> S.  $51^{\circ} 48'$  W.  $64^{\circ} 27'$   
Came in with a good breeze. all sail set.  
One sail in sight. Scatter part, hauled  
light sails.

Saturday Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> S.  $53^{\circ} 55'$  W.  
Came in blowing hard, shortened  
sail down to lower topsails. it took three  
hours to bring her down.

Sunday Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>  
Came in rough and cold, at 7 A.M. wore  
ship, and set topsails and courses.  
at 12 M. furled topsails and mainsail  
and reefed foresail, at 8 P.M. furled foresail.

Monday Oct. 27.  
Came in fair set topsails courses and  
M.T.G. sail, at 4 P.M. reefed and furled  
topsails and courses. rough and squally.

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>  
Came in fair, made sail at daylight  
Louis W. an bark in sight at 8 P.M.  
furled topsails and courses, blowing a gale.

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>  
Came in blowing a gale. at noon set reefed topsails  
and foresail, one sail in sight Scatter Part threatening

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> S.  $55^{\circ} 43'$   
Came in blowing hard, furled foresail and  
topsails and hove too on Port tack at 12. Midnight  
forenoon, set foresail and reefed topsails.  
Saw a four masted ship (I opened my box  
of cake) Scatter part blowing hard.

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> S.  $55^{\circ} 37'$  W.  $63^{\circ} 43'$   
Came in blowing, wore ship at 3 A.M. out reefs  
at daylight, wore ship at 8 A.M. in reefs at 12 M.  
Scatter part, cold and raining.

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Remarks onboard Ship St. David of  
Saturday November 1<sup>st</sup> 1884 Latitude <sup>South</sup> Longitude <sup>West</sup>  
57° 02'

Came in raining with light wind.  
Set topsails and courses, at 3 P.M. reefed topsails  
and Foresail. two ships in sight.

Sunday Nov. 2<sup>d</sup> S. 57° 56' W. 63° 47'  
Fine weather all day, at 3 A.M. set T.T. sails  
Course S.W. by W. at 4 P.M. tacked ship, and  
at 8 wore again. fine weather, two sails  
in sight.

Monday 3<sup>d</sup>  
Came in fine, steering W by S, at 8 A.M. square  
in the yards, at 8:30 shortened sail. came  
in rainy, at 12 braced up on Stack <sup>bar</sup>  
Scatter part wore ship. Signaled a Norwegian

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>  
Came in fair at 4 A.M. shortened down to  
lower topsails. Scatter part hove too on S.E.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> S. 57° 41'  
Came in squally, made some sail  
but took it in again at 4 P.M.  
Scatter part blowing a gale and heavy sea

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>  
Blowing a gale all day with heavy rain  
squalls. Shipping a great deal of sea water.

Friday 7<sup>th</sup>  
Came in moderating, set reefed topsails  
and courses. Scatter part wind two  
points free. fine weather. strong wind

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>  
Came in fine, made all sail at daylight  
at 2 P.M. called hands and hauled all  
but two topsails Scatter part blowing a g

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>  
Came in blowing hard, saw several  
ships one four master. Scatter part  
moderating

## New York W.W. Frost Master

Monday November 10<sup>th</sup> Latitude & Longitude  
South WestCame in fair, set topsails and courses.  
at 11 A.M. signaled a German bark 100 days from  
Newcastle for Valparaiso. Scatter part light breeze.Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>Came in raining, set all sail at daylight  
at 12 M. reefed topsails. Scatter part. Ship under  
lower topsails. blowing and raining.Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> S. 57° 41' W. 78° 09'Came in fine, with fair wind set royals.  
at noon hauled light sail, at 5 P.M. wind  
on P. quarter set T. G. sails. fine weather.Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>Came in fair. Wind hauled ahead at  
4 A.M. wore ship. Scatter part squally.  
saw a bark bound to the Eastward.Friday 14<sup>th</sup>Came in blowing hard, ship under  
lower topsails. Scatter part, furled M. topsail.Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>Came in clear and bright, set the  
topsails, one reef point was left fast  
in the fore topsail and the sail tore  
to the head. Sent it down and repaired  
it, and bent it in the forenoon.  
Scatter part blowing a gale, ship hove too  
under lower topsails.Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>Came in fine, set reefed topsails and  
courses. at 4 P.M. furled topsails and courses.Monday 17<sup>th</sup>S. 57° 25' W. 75° 45'  
Came in blowing a gale, wore ship at  
8: and at 12 M. set reefed topsails  
and courses. at 3 P.M. out reef in foresail.

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## Remarks onboard Ship St. David op.

Tuesday November 10<sup>th</sup> 1864. <sup>South</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitude <sup>55° 54'</sup> LongitudeFine weather all day. Set all sail  
Course N.W. Latte Part Fine.Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>Came in fine. Fall sail set. Signaled  
a Bark, 137 days from Pensacola, bound to  
Galio. Began to blow up at night  
handed light sails.Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>Came in with strong breeze reefed her down  
at 1 A.M. at 10 A.M. moderating we made sail  
again, Latte Part fine. Slip on P. tack  
heading W.N.W. all sail set.Friday 21<sup>st</sup>Came in with increasing wind,  
at 11 A.M. called all hands to reef and furl  
topsails and courses. while reefing the  
foresail the Main Topmast Staysail Sheet  
parted, and the clew struck myself  
(3d mate) and a sailor (Tom Park) about  
the legs and body, sojourning us so bad  
they had to carry us down on deck  
and to our berths, unfit for duty.Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>Came in fine, set all sail, crossed  
Skysail Yards. Crew at work scraping yards.

## New York, W. M. Frost Master

Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup> 1884. <sup>South</sup> <sup>West</sup> Latitude & LongitudeFine weather all day. One ship in sight.  
Today I got out of my berth alone for the  
first time since I was hurt.Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> <sup>Latitude</sup> <sup>Longitude</sup>  
Fine clear weather all day  $36^{\circ} 55' W.$   $85^{\circ} 24'$   
with nice breeze. all sail set. two ships in sight.Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>  
Fine nice weather, wind on the quarter.  
Ship going 5K. all sail set.Monday 15<sup>th</sup>  
Came in fine. Sat at work scraping spars  
and staving some.Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>  
Fine weather with 7K. breeze all day.  
We are 133 days from Home.Friday 19<sup>th</sup>  
Fine weather all day finished work on the  
poop. began cleaning paint on main deck.Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>  $S. 13^{\circ} 04' W.$   $103^{\circ} 5'$   
Fine weather all day with good breeze.  
Course N.W.Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>  $S. 5^{\circ} 45' W.$   $109^{\circ} 06'$   
Fine weather with good S.E. trade wind.  
Course N.W. by N.  $\frac{3}{4}$  N. true. Finished all the white painting.Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>  $S. 3^{\circ} 06' W.$   $110^{\circ} 46'$   
Came in fine with good breeze. no work going  
on to day. Merry Christmas.Friday 26<sup>th</sup>  $S. 00^{\circ} 34' W.$   $112^{\circ} 20'$   
Fine all day, good breeze. Course N.W. by N.  $\frac{3}{4}$  N.  
Latter part fine.

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Remarks onboard Ship St David, of

Saturday December 27<sup>th</sup> <sup>North</sup> <sup>West</sup>  
Latitude Longitude  
1° 18' 113° 27'Fine nice weather. Bend our heavy topsails  
and other odd jobs.Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> N. 3° 21' W. 114° 50'Fine weather all day.  
One bark in sight.Monday 29<sup>th</sup> N. 4° 52' W. 116° 00'Came in fair, with several rain  
squalls through the day. Last the S.E. trade.Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> N. 6° 45' W. 116° 33'

Came in squally. Scatter part fine.

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> N. 8° 00' W. 117° 00'Came in with heavy rain squalls  
but cleared off fine. Scatter part fine.

This ends the year 1884. Last year  
I danced the "Old Year" out and the  
"New Year" in, this year Steward and I  
played "Casino" till eight bells, the  
Stiff's bell rung the old year out and  
"New Year" in.

## Remarks onboard Ship G. &amp; David of

January First 1005

NOrth. Latitudes & longitudes  
10° 12' 117° 55'

Ship.

Came in fine and brought the N.E. Trade wind with it. Began to hollystone the main deck, little part, fine all sail set course N. by E.  $\frac{1}{4}$  N. close, going 7K. Signaled the American Ship "Henryailing" from San Francisco, and found out that Cleveland is president.

Friday 2<sup>d</sup> N. 13° 21' W. 119° 48'  
Fine weather with strong trade wind  
course N.N.W., average 7K.  
Finished hollystoring main deck.  
Batter part, fine.

Saturday 3<sup>d</sup> N. 15° 51' W. 121° 55'  
Fine in fine with strong breeze.  
Course N.W.  $\frac{1}{2}$  N. 7K. all sail set.  
at work at odd jobs.

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> N. 18° 28' W. 123° 53'  
Fair weather all day, with strong  
breeze, hauled royals in the morning.  
Batter part, fine with strong breeze  
course N. N. E.  $\frac{1}{2}$  N. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  K. Close hauled on  
S. tack.

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> N. 21° 20' W. 125° 05'  
Came in with good breeze, set the  
royals at 8 A.M. changed the royals  
and top gallant sails, bent the new  
ones. Batter part, moderating, set  
skysails.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> N. W.  
Fine weather all day, with light  
breeze. Lost the trade wind. Ship full  
and by on S. tack.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> N. 25° 07' W. 126° 03'  
Fine weather with light air, painted  
ship from waterline to plankshear.  
Batter part, light breeze from N.E.  
Course N.N.W.  $\frac{1}{4}$  N.

## New York W. D. Frost Master



day January 8th 1885, Latitude <sup>North</sup>  $26^{\circ} 33'$  Longitude <sup>West</sup>  $127^{\circ} 08'$   
weather wind light from S.S.E.  
painting ship outside.  
All part fine. Caught an "Albacore"

Friday January 9th N.  $29^{\circ} 15'$  W.  $127^{\circ} 34'$ .  
in with light rain and strong  
wind at 5 A.M. shortened sail soon  
moderating, set royals. Scatter part.  
breeze, at 7 A.M. hoisted F.G. sails.

Saturday January 10th N. W.  
Came in fine with stiff westerly wind, set  
all sail but skysails. Afternoon got the anchor  
over the rails; Scatter Part. Strong breeze.

Sunday January 11th N.  $34^{\circ} 16'$  W.  $128^{\circ} 09'$   
Came in fine with light breeze, which  
died out at night. light fog all day.  
Scatter Part. Calm, heavy dew.

Monday Jan. 12th N.  $35^{\circ} 16'$  W.  $127^{\circ} 22'$   
Came in Calm, a light breeze came up with  
sun. Course N.E. by N. (true), going 4 K. Wind. S.W.  
Scatter Part. good breeze.

Tuesday Jan. 13th N. W.  
Came in with fine stiff breeze ship  
going 9 K. Course.  
Engaged at scraping and cleaning up.  
Scatter Part, fine and starlight. hoisted  
light sails.

Wednesday Jan. 14th  
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Wednesday January 14<sup>th</sup> 1885 Anchored  
Sand.

Came in fine with good N.W. wind.  
Raised land at 8:30 A.M. passed the  
Farallones rocks at 10:30, at four O.M.  
the wind died out and we took tug  
Neptune at 5:15. The pilot came aboard  
at 12 M. No. 1. We saw several ships and  
barks bound out. It was thick when we  
passed through the Golden Gate, but we  
had a view just before we got there.  
Anchored at 7 P.M. and the letters were  
brought aboard. I had four. Thick fog all  
night.

Thursday Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>  
Came in thick but cleared up and  
was fine weather all day. unbent and  
stowed away all the sails, and triced  
up the rigging.

Friday Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>  
Came in fine, after breakfast  
Capt. Went ashore and sent at tug  
down, we took our anchor and towed  
up the bay, and anchored again.

Saturday Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>.

# EVANS BRINGS CREW OF WRECKED 1918 ST. DAVID

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 11.—  
Severette Coffin, Seattle  
Pacific Steamship Company's  
Liner Is Due Tonight With  
Survivors of Barge Driven  
Ashore in Gale.

Bringing the crew of the barge *St.avid* of the Coastwise Steamship & Tug Company, which was driven ashore in a heavy gale and is a total wreck on the rocky shore of Yakutat Bay, Southwestern Alaska, the Pacific Steamship Company's liner *Admiral Evans*, Capt. Charles Glasscock is expected in Seattle tonight from theorth.

In tow of the tug Commodore, the David sailed from Valdez October 1 with a cargo of 1,700 tons of copper ore from the Midas mine and bound for Anwoy, B. C. On October 28 the big became disabled, losing her propeller and breaking her rudder. After drifting about for two days the barge and the Commodore were picked up by the cannery tender Andrew Kelley and both vessels towed to Yakutat. The David was anchored in Yakutat Bay and the Kelley towed the Commodore to Ketchikan.

The tug Daniel Kern went to Yakutat for the barge and was preparing to take her in tow, when a heavy gale which had been sweeping Southwestern Alaska waters carried the helpless vessel ashore in Yakutat Bay, where she crashed on the rocks and is now a total loss. An effort will probably be made to salvage the copper ore of the ill-fated vessel.

### Wings Salmon Eggs.

The Admiral Evans has as part of her cargo a consignment of ten tons of salmon eggs being shipped from ~~Alaska~~ Western Alaska, to the United States Bureau of Fisheries in Seattle. As an act of comity between the United States and Canada, the bureau will send the salmon eggs to hatcheries on the Fraser River in British Columbia, in order to increase the ~~fish~~ Bluebacks in that scenic waterway and in Puget Sound. The salmon eggs come from the Afognak hatchery, which has just completed its most successful season since the eruption of Mount Katmai in 1912. More than 15,000,000 eggs of the Blueback salmon and 300,000 of the Humpback salmon have been hatched.

The Admiral Evans also has a shipment of 18,000 cases of canned salmon, 150 boxes of fresh fish, fifty tons of concentrates, 300 tons of ore, 522 barrels of salt fish and 200 tons of paper making aboard in Ocean Falls, B. C., on the way to Seattle. The vessel has 202 passengers.